



# The IRAM/GISMO 2 mm Survey in the COSMOS Field\*

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## Abstract

We present deep continuum observations at a wavelength of 2 mm centered on the COSMOS field using the Goddard IRAM Superconducting Millimeter Observer (GISMO) at the IRAM 30 m telescope. These data constitute the widest deep 2 mm survey to date, reaching a uniform  $\sigma \sim 0.23$  mJy beam<sup>-1</sup> sensitivity over  $\sim 250$  arcmin<sup>2</sup> at  $\sim 24''$  resolution. We detect four sources at high significance ( $S/N \geq 4.4$ ) with an expected number of false detections of 0.09 sources and five sources at  $4.4 > S/N \geq 3.7$  with an expected number of false detections of 1.65 sources. Combined with deep GISMO observations in GOODS-N, we constrain the 2 mm number counts over one decade in flux density. These measurements agree with most galaxy evolution models tested here, except those with a large population of dusty star-forming galaxies at  $z > 7$ . Five GISMO sources have counterparts in (sub)millimeter catalogs available in COSMOS. Their redshifts suggest that all but one lie above  $z \sim 3$ . These four high-redshift ( $z > 3$ ) galaxies have  $\bar{z} = 3.9$ , SFRs  $\sim 400\text{--}1200 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ , and  $M_{\text{dust}} \sim 10^{9.5} M_{\odot}$ . They provide a relatively complete selection ( $\sim 66\%$ ) of the most luminous ( $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{12.6} L_{\odot}$ ) and highest-redshift ( $z > 3$ ) galaxies detected within our survey area by AzTEC at 1.1 mm. We thus conclude that 2 mm surveys favor the selection of massive, vigorously star-forming, high-redshift galaxies. This is corroborated by GISMO-C4, a source with a low false-detection probability ( $\sim 6.2\%$ ), for which the absence of a (sub)millimeter counterpart supports a high-redshift origin ( $z \gtrsim 3$ ).

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## 1. Introduction

One of the most pressing questions in extragalactic astronomy concerns the production of dust in the very early universe. In particular, the amount of dust that could have reasonably been formed in primordial galaxies within the first few hundred million yr after the big bang is still heavily debated theoretically and observationally (e.g., Mancini et al. 2015; Michałowski 2015; Wang et al. 2017a). Indeed, dust formation in asymptotic giant branch (AGB) star atmospheres is expected to take too long ( $\gtrsim 500$  Myr) to explain the large dust reservoir observed in some  $z \gtrsim 5$  galaxies, while a significant fraction of the dust formed on short timescales ( $< 500$  Myr) by supernovae (SNe) is expected to be destroyed by the associated shocks. Unfortunately, to date, only a few objects could be studied thoroughly in their cold dust properties for a meaningful estimate of their individual dust masses, including bolometrically bright quasar host galaxies,  $\gamma$ -ray burst host galaxies, or gravitationally lensed galaxies at redshifts  $z \gtrsim 5$  (e.g., Michałowski et al. 2010a; Hjorth et al. 2013; Riechers et al. 2013; Michałowski 2015; Strandet et al. 2017; Decarli et al. 2018; Marrone et al. 2018; Venemans et al. 2018; Zafar et al. 2018). Such observational

constraints do not, however, qualify for robust extrapolation to the total dust mass in the early universe, as these galaxies are not necessarily representative of the broader population.

Despite some limitations, work over the past two decades has led to the discovery of considerable populations of dust-rich star-forming galaxies (DSFGs) at high redshifts (though largely found below  $z = 4$ ) through deep-field survey campaigns at (sub)millimeter (hereafter (sub)mm) wavelengths (e.g., see reviews of Blain et al. 2002; Casey et al. 2014). Surveys of such DSFGs benefit from a strongly negative  $K$ -correction at (sub)mm wavelengths, which renders galaxies of equal total infrared luminosity and cold dust temperature equally likely to be detected in a flux-limited survey, no matter whether they reside at  $z \sim 1$  or  $z \sim 10$ . This effect is due to the steep slope of the Rayleigh–Jeans continuum emitted by interstellar dust grains heated by the radiation field of young stars in star-forming galaxies. Unfortunately, distinguishing the dustiest galaxies at the highest redshifts ( $z > 4$ ) from lower-redshift galaxies in (sub)mm surveys is exceedingly challenging due to the difficulty of making spectroscopic identifications at those epochs; or, it is observationally expensive if one used multiple (sub)mm color criteria, such as the *Herschel*-Red sources (e.g., Cox et al. 2011; Riechers et al. 2013; Ivison et al. 2016). In addition, as current (sub)mm

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surveys are mostly performed at  $850\ \mu\text{m} < \lambda_{\text{obs}} < 1.3\ \text{mm}$ , at the highest redshifts ( $z > 4$ ), they do not probe sufficiently long rest-frame wavelengths to yield accurate dust mass estimates (i.e.,  $\lambda_{\text{rest}} \gtrsim 250\ \mu\text{m}$ ; Scoville et al. 2016).

In principle, the 2 mm window provides an ideal setup for deep-field surveys aiming at statistical probes of dust-rich objects at these early epochs. It probes sufficiently long rest-frame wavelengths for accurate dust mass estimates while “filtering out” lower-redshift dusty sources at  $z \sim 2$ , which “contaminate” the 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.3 mm surveys (Casey et al. 2018a, 2018b). Unfortunately, to date, there have been no observational data sets to test this latter hypothesis. Indeed, until recently, the 2 mm window had mainly been explored by large-scale surveys, such as those performed by the South Pole Telescope (SPT; Vieira et al. 2010), with detection limits of a few mJy and thus restricted to the study of gravitationally lensed galaxies.

Here we present a pioneering survey in this largely unexplored 2 mm window using the Goddard IRAM Superconducting Millimeter Observer (GISMO) as a guest instrument at the IRAM 30 m telescope (Staguhn et al. 2014, hereafter S14). In order to complement the deep pencil-beam observations with GISMO toward the northern Great Observatories Origins Survey (GOODS-N; described in S14) field, we targeted an  $\sim 0.1\ \text{deg}^2$  area toward the central portion of the equatorial  $2\ \text{deg}^2$  COSMOS field (Scoville et al. 2007). Our GISMO 2 mm survey covers the part of the COSMOS field with the deepest multiwavelength coverage, including *Hubble*/WFC3 data from the CANDELS survey (Koekemoer et al. 2011). It overlaps with all (sub)mm surveys undertaken in COSMOS, including deep AzTEC/JCMT (Scott et al. 2008) and AzTEC/ASTE (Aretxaga et al. 2011) 1.1 mm surveys and SCUBA-2/JCMT 450 and 850  $\mu\text{m}$  surveys (Casey et al. 2013; Geach et al. 2017; Wang et al. 2017b). In addition, submillimeter galaxies (SMGs) selected from these surveys benefited from numerous interferometric follow-ups (SMA/CARMA/PdBI/ALMA; Younger et al. 2007, 2009; Aravena et al. 2010; Smolčić et al. 2012; Brisbin et al. 2017), offering precise locations and redshift estimates for a large fraction of them (Brisbin et al. 2017; Miettinen et al. 2017a), including some distant ( $z > 4$ ) starbursts, a subclass of SMGs identified only in recent years (Smolčić et al. 2012, 2015; Riechers et al. 2014; Miettinen et al. 2015; Brisbin et al. 2017). This wealth of deep panchromatic ancillary data available within our GISMO survey is vital to test the hypothesis that the 2 mm window unveils the dustiest and most distant starbursts of the universe.

The focus of this paper is twofold. While we will analyze the individual detections with respect to their redshift and multi-wavelength properties, we will thoroughly discuss the statistical implications arising from a novel constraint of the bright end of the 2 mm source counts. The latter have been previously predicted by several authors using different semiempirical techniques (Béthermin et al. 2017; Casey et al. 2018b; Zavala et al. 2018) and are supposed to be a useful tool to distinguish between different model universes, from the very dust-rich to the very dust-poor (Casey et al. 2018b). Providing an observational constraint on the 2 mm source counts is thus paramount to elaborate on the best future strategies to statistically explore the interstellar medium at the earliest cosmic epochs. Throughout this paper, we assume a *Planck* cosmology, adopting  $H_0 = 67.8\ (\text{km s}^{-1})\ \text{Mpc}^{-1}$ ,  $\Omega_M = 0.308$ , and  $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.692$  (Planck Collaboration et al. 2016). A Chabrier (2003) initial mass function (IMF) is used for all stellar mass and star formation rate (SFR) measurements in this article.

## 2. The COSMOS-GISMO 2 mm survey

### 2.1. Observations

The GISMO observations of the COSMOS field were obtained in pooled campaigns over the course of 3 yr (2012 April, 2013 April, 2014 April, 2014 October, and 2015 February)<sup>12</sup> at the IRAM 30 m telescope as a combined open/guaranteed time program for a total of 113.6 hr (including  $\sim 37\%$  calibration/instrumental overheads, with a total of  $\sim 71$  hr on target).

GISMO consists of  $8 \times 16$  pixels (Staguhn et al. 2008) with superconducting transition edge sensors (TESs). The TESs are read out by time domain SQUID multiplexers built at the National Institute for Standards (NIST) in Boulder, Colorado (Irwin et al. 2002). The GISMO bandpass has an FWHM of  $\sim 25$  GHz around its peak at 150 GHz (i.e., 2 mm). Pixels are spaced by  $13''.75$ , and the instantaneous field of view is  $1/8 \times 3/7$ . More details about the instrument can be found in S14.

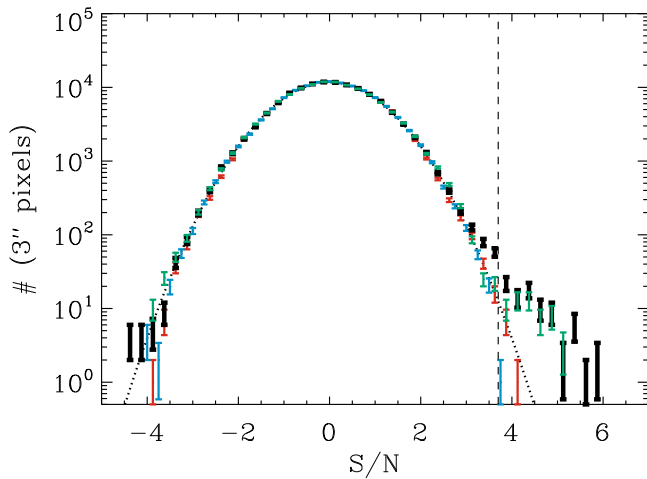
The beam size of the GISMO observations at the 30 m telescope is  $16''.6$  FWHM. The observations were generally carried out under stable atmospheric conditions and  $< 4$  mm perceptible water vapor; in other words, they had a zenith opacity of  $\tau_{2\ \text{mm}} < 0.11$ . On average, we found 100 pixels to be working during our observations. The focus in the  $z$ -direction was regularly monitored (four times a day), and pointing was frequently checked (once per observing hour) using the nearby bright quasars J1055+018, J0851+202, and J0823+033. Fluxes were calibrated to  $< 10\%$  accuracy by monitoring Mars, Uranus, and Neptune and employing the atmospheric transmission model of the Caltech Submillimeter Observatory<sup>13</sup> and the 30 m telescope 225 GHz radiometer readings. We employed an on-the-fly raster scan pattern comprised of  $41 \times 10$ – $11$  s (depending on target elevation) subscans and an additional 3 s turnaround overhead to cover a total square area of  $20' \times 20'$  per full scan. This observing mode works in total power, hence the signal is not modulated by switching the secondary mirror. Per subscan, additional signal was obtained over an area corresponding to the array extent. The short subscan duration resulted in fast scanning speeds between 110 and  $120''\ \text{s}^{-1}$  and was chosen to minimize the impact of  $1/f$  noise on our large map. We changed the scanning direction by  $45^\circ$  about the current azimuth between every two scans in order to assure homogeneous coverage of the target area and reduce systematic effects in the data. We typically observed for contiguous 7–8 hr blocks and hence profited from Earth rotation to further enhance a homogeneous target coverage. Consequently, the resulting multiseason map is circular and reaches a uniform  $\sigma \sim 0.23$  (0.3) mJy beam $^{-1}$  sensitivity over an area with  $\sim 17'.8$  ( $21'.4$ ) diameter, i.e.,  $\sim 0.07$  ( $0.1$ )  $\text{deg}^2$ . At the radius of the full map (i.e.,  $12'$ ) around the central coordinates ( $\alpha = 10^{\text{h}}00^{\text{m}}19^{\text{s}}.75$ ,  $\delta = +02^\circ 32' 04''.40$ ; J2000), a  $\sigma \sim 0.4$  mJy beam $^{-1}$  sensitivity is reached.

### 2.2. Data Reduction

The data have been reduced using version 2.30–4 of the CRUSH software (Kovács 2008) in the deep mode used for the accurate recovery of point sources (for details, see S14). In this process, the map is spatially filtered above  $60''$  FWHM to

<sup>12</sup> The corresponding IRAM project IDs are 247-11, 227-12, 242-13, 117-14, and 232-15.

<sup>13</sup> <http://www.submm.caltech.edu/cso/weather/atplot.shtml>



**Figure 1.** The S/N histogram for the smoothed and filtered map (black), jackknifed realization (red), and expectation for a Gaussian noise distribution with  $\sigma = 1$  (dotted line). As demonstrated by the good agreement between these three histograms, the noise in our map is Gaussian in nature and does not include a significant contribution from unresolved sources (i.e., confusion noise). The asymmetric excess on the positive half of the distribution for the smoothed and filtered map comes from resolved sources. This asymmetric excess is, as expected, absent in the histogram for the residual map (blue), i.e., the smoothed and filtered map after sources detected with  $S/N \geq 3.7$  (vertical dashed line; see Section 2.3) are removed.

remove spatially variant atmospheric residuals and smoothed with a Gaussian FWHM of  $17''.5$  (i.e.,  $\sim$ matched-filtered) to optimize the detection of point sources. The resulting effective image resolution is  $24''$  FWHM.

To estimate the noise, we produced “jackknifed” maps with CRUSH by randomly multiplying each scan by  $+1$  or  $-1$ , eliminating any stationary noise (including sources and foregrounds) but retaining random noise (including that from the atmosphere). From these jackknifed realizations, we generated the noise map associated with the regular smoothed and filtered map. Figure 1 shows the histogram of the signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) of one of these jackknifed, filtered, and smoothed realizations compared to the S/N histogram of the regular filtered and smoothed map. The jackknifed distribution is well fit by a Gaussian with  $\sigma = 1$ , demonstrating that noise in the GISMO map is indeed Gaussian. The histogram for the regular map is also well described by this Gaussian, except at high S/N, where resolved sources create an asymmetric excess. This agreement demonstrates that the regular map does not contain a significant stationary noise contribution from unresolved sources (i.e., confusion noise) that would appear as a symmetric widening of the distribution with respect to the jackknifed expectation. This is in clear contrast to the GISMO deep field (GDF; S14), in which a significant fraction of the total noise comes from confusion. Indeed, in the GDF, the integration time per beam is long enough for the random noise ( $\sigma_{\text{rand.}} \propto t^{-1/2}$ ) and the confusion noise ( $\sigma_{\text{confusion}}$ ) to be comparable and thus for a significant fraction of the total noise ( $\sigma_{\text{tot}}^2 = \sigma_{\text{rand.}}^2 + \sigma_{\text{confusion}}^2$ ). In our COSMOS survey,  $\sigma_{\text{rand.}}$  dominates, and  $\sigma_{\text{confusion}}$  can be neglected. Note that the subtraction of sources truncates the S/N histogram for the residual map at our  $3.7\sigma$  detection threshold (see Section 2.3).

### 2.3. Source Extraction

Source extraction was performed on the smoothed and filtered signal and noise maps produced by CRUSH. The value of these beam-smoothed maps provides the amplitude and uncertainty of a fitted point-spread function (PSF) at each position, which in the case of point sources corresponds directly to their fluxes and associated uncertainties (see S14). To extract these fluxes, we employed a standard top-down peak-finding approach: (i) we search for the highest peak in the S/N map; (ii) the flux, noise, and position of this source are cataloged; (iii) it is removed from the smoothed and filtered map using a scaled version of our effective PSF (see below), and a new S/N map is generated; and (iv) we repeat this procedure until the highest peak in the S/N map is below  $3\sigma$ , i.e., a level under which sources are deemed to be unreliable. The effective PSF used in this process was generated by convolving the instrumental  $16''.6$  FWHM Gaussian beam with a  $17''.5$  FWHM Gaussian ( $\sim$ matched-filtering) and a negative  $60''$  FWHM Gaussian bowl (resulting from our spatial filtering above  $60''$  FWHM; Section 2.2). The resulting PSF has a peak of 1, zero integral (no DC sensitivity due to filtering; S14), and a  $24''$  FWHM.

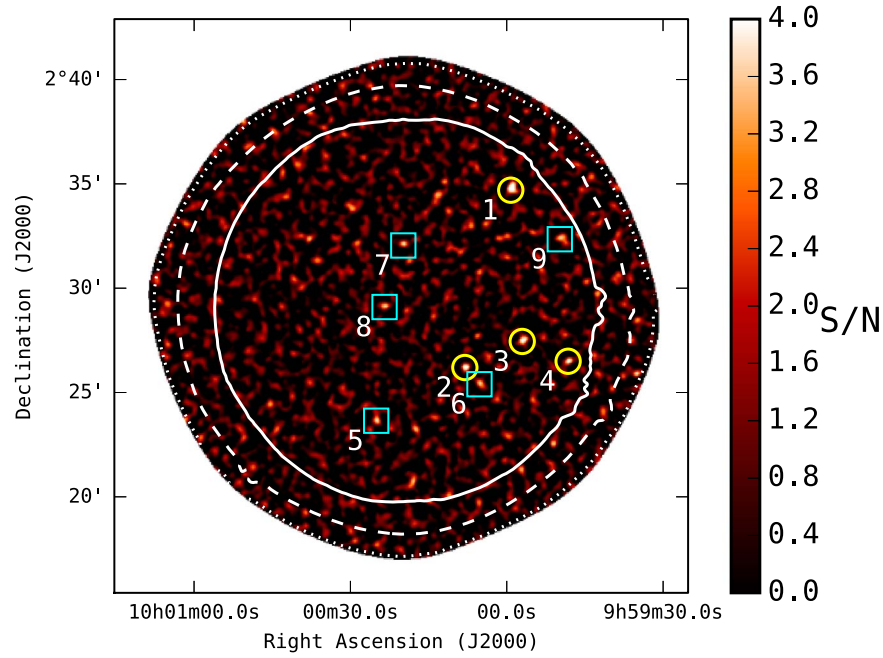
In Section 2.3.3, we further refined the S/N threshold above which sources are considered reliable. We cut our final catalog at  $3.7\sigma$ , where the overall false-detection rate is 20%, but particularly highlight sources above  $4.4\sigma$ , where the overall false-detection rate is only 2.5%. A total of nine sources were found with  $S/N \geq 3.7$ , of which four have  $S/N \geq 4.4$ , within the uniform  $\sigma \sim 0.23$  mJy beam $^{-1}$  sensitivity area of our map (Figure 2; Table 1). In the rest of the paper, we strictly limit our analysis to this homogeneously deep part of the map, which covers  $\sim 250$  arcmin $^2$ .

#### 2.3.1. Flux Boosting

Low angular resolution maps in the millimeter have the potential to suffer from a set of boosting effects that result in measured fluxes for sources higher than their intrinsic values. Flux boosting can be caused by Eddington bias (in the event that the intrinsic number counts at the observed wavelength are steep) and confusion noise (the high density of sources per beam boosts the measured flux density of any single measured source). To evaluate this flux boosting as a function of the observed S/N (where the signal is the measured “raw” flux density), we performed extensive Monte Carlo simulations. We inserted fake sources following a realistic number count distribution into our jackknifed maps and recovered their positions, fluxes, and flux uncertainties, applying the same source extraction method as used for our real map.

Here we adopted two different number count distribution models, those of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017). The Béthermin et al. (2017) SIDES model uses a halo-occupation distribution modeling and infrared spectral energy distributions (SEDs) drawn from a galaxy evolution model with two star formation modes (Béthermin et al. 2012), while the Zavala et al. (2018) model infers the number counts at 2 mm using the first 3 mm number count measurements combined with the infrared luminosity function models discussed in Casey et al. (2018a, 2018b). These models have slightly different number count distributions as a result of different luminosity function assumptions at  $z > 4$ . This gives us the ability to explore how those assumptions affect the flux-boosting statistic. It is worth





**Figure 2.** The S/N map for the smoothed and filtered GISMO COSMOS field. The solid, dashed, and dotted contours encompass areas of uniform 0.23, 0.30, and 0.4 mJy beam<sup>-1</sup> rms, respectively. Circles show sources detected at  $S/N \geq 4.4$  (Table 1), where the expected number of false detections is  $\sim 0.09$  sources. Squares show sources detected at  $4.4 > S/N \geq 3.7$  (Table 1), where the expected number of false detections is  $\sim 1.65$  sources.

**Table 1**  
GISMO-detected Source List

ID	R.A. (J2000)	Decl. (J2000)	S/N	$S_{2\text{ mm}}$ Raw (mJy)	$S_{2\text{ mm}}$ Deboosted <sup>a</sup>			$P_f^b$ (%)
					Zavala+19 (mJy)	B��thermin+17 (mJy)	Staguhn+14 (mJy)	
					(mJy)	(mJy)	(mJy)	
GISMO-C1	09:59:59.2	+2:34:41.89	5.8	$1.29 \pm 0.22$	$1.11^{+0.20}_{-0.31}$	$1.07^{+0.20}_{-0.31}$	$1.15^{+0.25}_{-0.25}$	0.0
GISMO-C2	10:00:08.0	+2:26:11.90	5.0	$1.09 \pm 0.22$	$0.90^{+0.18}_{-0.35}$	$0.80^{+0.19}_{-0.33}$	$0.90^{+0.27}_{-0.27}$	1.4
GISMO-C3	09:59:57.0	+2:27:26.89	4.6	$1.02 \pm 0.22$	$0.81^{+0.18}_{-0.35}$	$0.69^{+0.20}_{-0.32}$	$0.80^{+0.28}_{-0.28}$	4.0
GISMO-C4	09:59:48.2	+2:26:29.88	4.4	$1.01 \pm 0.23$	$0.76^{+0.21}_{-0.35}$	$0.65^{+0.20}_{-0.34}$	$0.75^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$	6.2
GISMO-C5	10:00:25.0	+2:23:38.90	3.9	$0.86 \pm 0.22$	$0.55^{+0.22}_{-0.35}$	$0.48^{+0.13}_{-0.33}$	$0.55^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$	23.3
GISMO-C6	10:00:05.2	+2:25:23.90	3.9	$0.84 \pm 0.22$	$0.53^{+0.21}_{-0.35}$	$0.47^{+0.13}_{-0.32}$	$0.52^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$	24.1
GISMO-C7	10:00:19.8	+2:32:02.90	3.8	$0.84 \pm 0.22$	$0.53^{+0.21}_{-0.35}$	$0.47^{+0.13}_{-0.32}$	$0.52^{+0.30}_{-0.30}$	24.1
GISMO-C8	10:00:23.4	+2:29:05.90	3.7	$0.82 \pm 0.22$	$0.50^{+0.19}_{-0.35}$	$0.43^{+0.13}_{-0.31}$	$0.49^{+0.29}_{-0.29}$	31.7
GISMO-C9	09:59:49.8	+2:32:20.88	3.7	$0.82 \pm 0.22$	$0.50^{+0.19}_{-0.35}$	$0.43^{+0.13}_{-0.31}$	$0.49^{+0.29}_{-0.29}$	31.7

#### Notes.

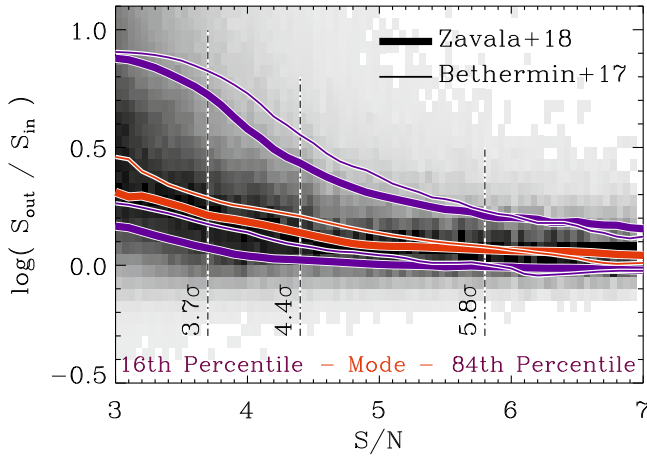
<sup>a</sup> Deboosted fluxes estimated using the Monte Carlo approach described in Section 2.3.1 based on the number counts of B  thermin et al. (2017) and Zavala et al. (2018). In the rightmost column, the deboosted fluxes were measured using the analytical approach described in Staguhn et al. (2014) based on the number counts of B  thermin et al. (2011).

<sup>b</sup> False-detection rates at  $S/N \pm \Delta S/N$ , defined as the mean false-detection rates inferred from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and B  thermin et al. (2017). The separation at  $S/N \geq 4.4$  corresponds to the detection significance above which the overall false-detection rate is only 2.5%. We cut our final catalog at  $3.7\sigma$ , above which the overall false-detection rate is 20%.

noting, however, that both models agree within the uncertainties with the number counts from our measurements (see Section 3.1). Injected sources of both models have fluxes as low as 0.05 mJy (i.e., well below our detection threshold) and are randomly positioned in our jackknifed maps. We verified that the S/N histogram of these simulated maps peaks at zero and has a dispersion of 1, similar to our real map (see Figure 1). Sources recovered in these simulated maps above  $3\sigma$  are associated with the brightest input source within a radius of  $18''$ . This radius corresponds to the GISMO astrometric accuracy as

inferred from Equation (1) using  $S/N = 3$  (Section 2.3.4; see also Equation (9) of S14). For each number count model, we generated 10,000 mock maps, recovering about half a million fake sources above  $3\sigma$ .

The output-to-input flux ratio (i.e.,  $S_{\text{out}}/S_{\text{in}}$ ) as a function of the observed S/N (i.e.,  $S_{\text{out}}/N$ ) inferred from our simulations is shown in Figure 3. While at high S/N, flux boosting converges toward zero and thereby becomes insignificant, it steadily increases at lower S/N, reaching up to  $\sim 0.3$  dex at  $3.7\sigma$ . In the S/N range probed by real detections (i.e.,  $5.8 \geq S/N \geq 3.7$ ),



**Figure 3.** Flux boosting as a function of observed S/N estimated from simulations. The density distribution of data points from simulations following the model of Zavala et al. (2018) is shown by the shaded region. For clarity, shadings are independent for each S/N bin; i.e., the darkest color indicates the highest number density of data points in this S/N bin. The 16th percentile (blue), mode (red), and 84th percentile (blue) of the distribution as a function of S/N are shown by the thick lines. For comparison, the 16th percentile, mode, and 84th percentile of the distribution inferred from the Béthermin et al. (2017) simulations are shown by the thin lines. In the range probed by real detections (i.e.,  $5.8 \geq S/N \geq 3.7$ ; vertical dotted-dashed line), these models yield slightly different flux-boosting statistics but are consistent within their uncertainties.

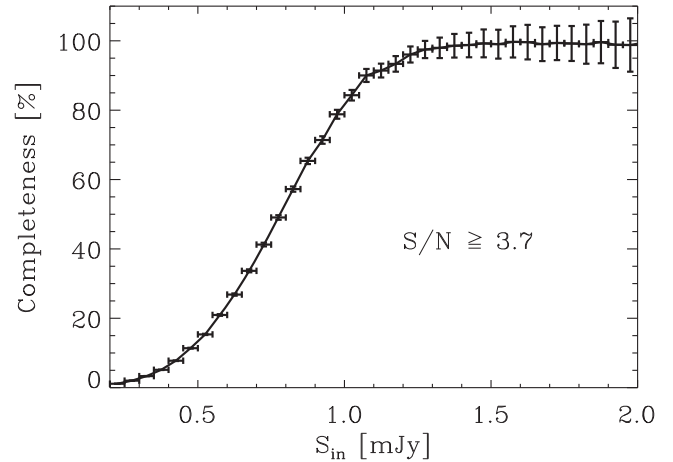
the model of Zavala et al. (2018) predicts lower flux-boosting statistics ( $\sim 0.05$  dex), as its number count distribution has a shallower slope in the corresponding flux density range than that of Béthermin et al. (2017; see Section 3.1). These differences are, however, well within the uncertainties of each model, and their effects on the measured number counts are further discussed in Section 3.1.

In Table 1, we tabulate the “deboosted” fluxes and uncertainties of our real detections, as inferred from both models. Deboosted fluxes correspond to the mode of the distributions at a given S/N, while the upper and lower uncertainties correspond to their 16th and 86th percentiles, respectively. We also tabulated in Table 1 the deboosted fluxes and uncertainties obtained using the analytical approach described in S14 (see their Section 4.2) and assuming the number count distribution of Béthermin et al. (2011). These deboosted fluxes are fully consistent within their uncertainties with those inferred here.

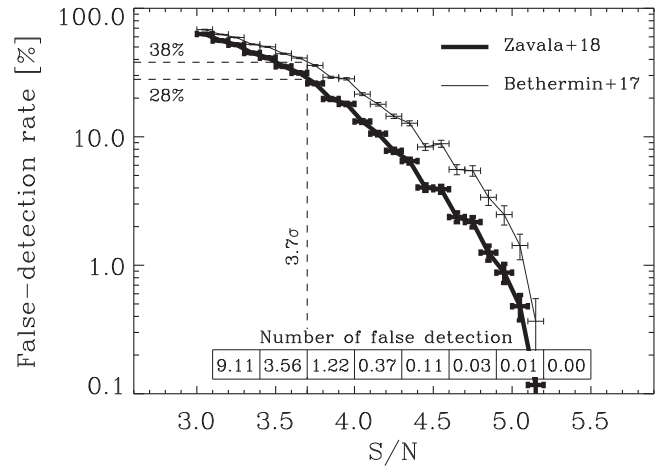
### 2.3.2. Completeness

We also used our simulations to evaluate the source detection completeness of our final catalog. The completeness was defined as the ratio of recovered sources above a given S/N to the total number of input sources at a given flux density. Completeness was evaluated in bins of input flux density and for a detection significance  $\geq 3.7\sigma$ , which was the final cut of our catalog described in the next subsection. The completeness was evaluated for both simulations, but only that inferred from the model of Zavala et al. (2018) is shown in Figure 4. Indeed, because the completeness does not depend on the input number count distribution but simply on the map noise properties, both models yield exactly the same source detection completeness function.

The completeness is close to zero at low input fluxes (i.e.,  $\sim 0.3$  mJy) but increases rapidly, reaching 40% and 80% at



**Figure 4.** Completeness derived from the fraction of simulated sources injected into our jackknifed maps that are recovered by the source extraction at a significance  $\geq 3.7\sigma$  (irrespective of their flux accuracies) as a function of input flux. Errors bars correspond to the  $1\sigma$  Poisson uncertainties measured using the number of sources available to assess the completeness within a given input flux bin.



**Figure 5.** False-detection rate derived from the ratio of sources recovered in the pure noise jackknifed maps to that recovered in our mock maps as a function of the observed S/N. Thick and thin lines are for sources recovered in mock maps following number count distributions as in the Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) models, respectively. Errors bars correspond to  $1\sigma$  Poisson uncertainties measured using the number of sources available to assess the false-detection rate within a given S/N bin. Inset numbers correspond to the average number of false detections per map found in our pure noise jackknifed maps within a significance (i.e., S/N) range given by the lateral box outlines. While the numbers of false detections remain the same for both models, the number of sources recovered in their respective mock maps depends on the input number count distribution. Therefore, the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) yield slightly different false-detection rates. Among the five sources detected in the real map at  $4.4 > S/N \geq 3.7$ , we expect 1.65 false detections. Among the four sources detected in the real map with  $S/N \geq 4.4$ , we expect only 0.09 false detections.

$\sim 0.7$  and  $\sim 1.0$  mJy, respectively. The completeness shown in Figure 4 is used in Section 3.1 to measure the number counts.

### 2.3.3. False-detection Rate

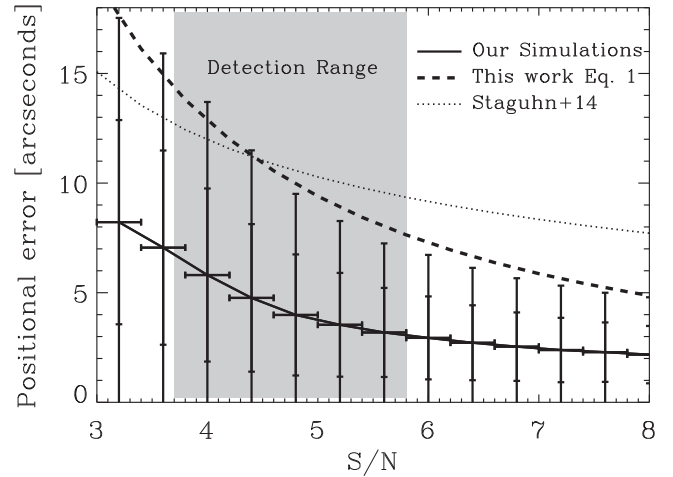
The number of false detections in our map corresponds to the number of pure noise fluctuations reaching a given significance (i.e., S/N); thus, they are mistakenly identified as real sources. In the case of Gaussian noise fluctuations, this number depends

only on the considered significance and number of independent Gaussian variables in the map. However, because the number of independent Gaussian variables cannot be trivially calculated for our smoothed and filtered map, we evaluated the expected number of false detections using an empirical approach. We ran our source extraction algorithm on 10,000 pure jackknifed maps—which, by definition, contain only noise—and measured the average number of false detections recovered per map in bins of S/N (see inset table of false sources identified per map in Figure 5). At  $S/N \geq 4.4$ , where our real catalog contains four sources, the expected number of false detections is relatively low and equal to 0.09, corresponding to an overall false-detection rate of 2.5%. However, at lower significance, the number of false detections rises rapidly, and, for example, no less than 13.74 false detections are expected with  $S/N \geq 3.1$ . In the real map, we recovered only 27 sources with  $S/N \geq 3.1$ , leading to an unacceptably high overall false-detection rate of about 51%. We thus decided to cut our final catalog at  $3.7\sigma$ , where the overall false-detection rate is at an acceptable value of 20%; i.e., 1.74 false detections are expected with  $S/N \geq 3.7$ , while we detected nine sources at this significance in the real map. Note that the number of false detections predicted by Equation (2) of S14 is in very good agreement with our empirical estimates.

While measuring number counts, a false-detection rate correction needs to be applied to each source according to its detection significance (see Section 3.1). Unfortunately, the low number of sources detected in the map does not allow us to infer a false-detection rate at any given significance (i.e.,  $S/N \pm \Delta S/N$ ) without being considerably affected by low number statistics. Therefore, we evaluated these false-detection rates from our simulations, dividing the number of false detections recovered at a given significance (i.e.,  $S/N \pm \Delta S/N$ ) in the 10,000 pure jackknifed maps by the number of sources recovered at this significance in the 10,000 simulated maps of a given model (Figure 5). While the numbers of false detections remain the same for either model, the numbers of sources recovered in the simulated maps depend on the input number count distribution. Therefore, the two models yield slightly different false-detection rates. At  $3.7\sigma$ , the false-detection rates measured from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) are 28% and 38%, respectively, in good agreement with that obtained by dividing the number of false detections by the number of sources recovered in the real map at  $4.4 > S/N \geq 3.7$ , i.e., 1.65 false detections for five sources in the real map (i.e., 33%). Note that in Section 3.1, the false-detection rate of each model is used when appropriate, but in Table 1, we tabulated, for each source, the mean false-detection rate from these two models.

### 2.3.4. Positional Uncertainties

Finally, we evaluated the positional uncertainties of our catalog as the difference between the input and recovered positions of injected sources in our simulations. Figure 6 shows the mean,  $1\sigma$ , and  $2\sigma$  positional uncertainties of sources recovered from simulations following the model of Zavala et al. (2018) in bins of observed S/N. Note that the last S/N bin is affected by our maximum matching radius of  $18''$  (see Section 2.3.1) and thus likely underestimated. As estimates from the model of Béthermin et al. (2017) are very similar, we did not show them in Figure 6.



**Figure 6.** Mean,  $1\sigma$ , and  $2\sigma$  position uncertainties in bins of S/N for sources recovered in simulations following the model of Zavala et al. (2018). Our  $2\sigma$  positional uncertainties are compared to predictions from Equation (9) of S14 (dotted lines), assuming  $\sigma_p = 0$ , as there are no intrinsic position uncertainties in our input catalog. These  $2\sigma$  position uncertainties are fitted by a simple power law (dashed line; see Equation (1)). The shaded area shows the range of S/N probed by our real detections. The last bin is affected by our maximum matching radius of  $18''$  and thus likely underestimated.

As noted in, e.g., Ivison et al. (2007), S14, and Geach et al. (2017), the positional uncertainties of pointlike sources vary with their detection significance (i.e., S/N). In their Equation (9), S14 defined the maximum allowable separation between a GISMO source and that from other catalogs, taking into account the GISMO positional uncertainties and the  $1\sigma_p$  catalog position errors. In Figure 6, we plotted their predictions, setting  $\sigma_p = 0$ , as there are naturally no intrinsic position errors in our simulated catalog. These predictions should be compared to our  $2\sigma$  positional uncertainties, as they correspond to the radius where the counterpart must fall with  $\sim 98\%$  confidence. While in broad agreement, these predictions do not perfectly capture the trend with S/N observed in our simulations. We thus fitted these positional uncertainties with a simple power law, parameterized with the S/N:

$$\Delta\alpha = 9''.4 \times \left(\frac{S/N}{5}\right)^{-1.4}. \quad (1)$$

When matching GISMO COSMOS sources with source catalogs from the literature, these positional uncertainties should be added in quadrature with the  $1\sigma_p$  catalog position errors.

### 2.4. Associations with Known COSMOS (Sub)mm Sources

We searched for the counterparts of our GISMO sources in all relevant (sub)mm catalogs publicly available in the COSMOS field, i.e., the 1.1 mm AzTEC/JCMT (Scott et al. 2008) and AzTEC/ASTE (Aretxaga et al. 2011) surveys and the deep SCUBA-2/JCMT 450 and  $850\mu\text{m}$  surveys (Casey et al. 2013; Geach et al. 2017). Counterparts were deemed robust if their separations with our sources were lower than the quadratic combination of the GISMO positional uncertainties and the  $1\sigma$  position errors of the relevant catalog.<sup>14</sup> We found counterparts

<sup>14</sup> The source densities in the AzTEC and SCUBA-2 catalogs are low enough that at this radius, the probability that a counterpart is a random association is lower than 5%.



for five GISMO sources: GISMO-C1/AzTEC8, GISMO-C2/AzTEC2, GISMO-C3/AzTEC9, GISMO-C7/AzTEC5, and GISMO-C6/SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104. Among those, four benefit from intermediate-resolution ( $\sim 1''$ – $2''$ ) (sub)mm interferometric follow-up of AzTEC sources with the SMA at  $890\ \mu\text{m}$  (Younger et al. 2007, 2009) and ALMA at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  (Brisbin et al. 2017). This follow-up is key to obtaining robust multiwavelength and subsequently redshift identification of these galaxies, which is otherwise impossible with the coarse resolution of single-dish (sub)mm observations (Figure 7). However, despite this effort, reliable spectroscopic redshift estimates are not yet available for all of our sources, mostly due to their faint UV/optical/near-infrared counterparts (Casey et al. 2017). Nevertheless, based on optical/NIR/FIR/mm/radio photometric information, there is an emerging consensus in the literature about their high-redshift nature (Koprowski et al. 2014; Miettinen et al. 2015; Brisbin et al. 2017). In the following, we summarize the current knowledge of the five GISMO galaxies with (sub)mm counterparts and discuss the possible nature of the remaining four sources with no counterparts.

#### 2.4.1. GISMO-C1/AzTEC8

The brightest galaxy in our GISMO 2 mm survey corresponds to the eighth- and second-brightest galaxies in the  $1.1\ \text{mm}$  AzTEC/JCMT (AzTEC8— $\theta_{\text{offset}} = 8''$ ; Scott et al. 2008) and AzTEC/ASTE (AzTEC-C2; Aretxaga et al. 2011) surveys, respectively. It thus benefited from extensive (sub)mm interferometric follow-up (e.g., Younger et al. 2007, 2009; Brisbin et al. 2017), the latest being performed with ALMA at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  (Brisbin et al. 2017; Miettinen et al. 2017b). It revealed 2 mm counterparts with the southern and northern components separated by  $\sim 18''$  (Figure 7). Smolčić et al. (2012) and Koprowski et al. (2014) reported a photometric redshift of  $3.17^{+0.29}_{-0.22}$  and  $3.15^{+0.05}_{-0.15}$  for the southern component, which, in combination with a single CO line detection with CARMA, leads to a best available solution of  $z = 3.179$  (Smolčić et al. 2012; Brisbin et al. 2017, D. Riechers et al. 2019, in preparation). The northern component is fainter at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  than the southern component and has only a very uncertain photometric redshift estimate ( $z_{\text{phot}} \lesssim 3$ ; Brisbin et al. 2017). This component fell below the AzTEC/JCMT detection threshold (Scott et al. 2008) but contributed significantly to the flux density reported by Aretxaga et al. (2011) using the coarse resolution of the AzTEC/ASTE survey ( $34''$  versus  $17''$ ). Our GISMO-C1 detection also exhibits a slight extension toward the northern component. Applying a PSF-fitting analysis to our GISMO map at the position of these two components, we found a very similar 2 mm flux density for the southern component to that reported in Table 1 ( $1.33 \pm 0.22$  versus  $1.29 \pm 0.22\ \text{mJy}$ ), while the north component falls below our detection threshold, i.e.,  $0.65 \pm 0.23\ \text{mJy}$ . Fitting only the southern component did not change its 2 mm flux density, while fitting only the north component yields a  $< 3.7\sigma$  detection with bad residuals. We thus conclude that the northern component did not significantly contribute to the 2 mm flux density of GISMO-C1. GISMO-C1 and AzTEC8 are most likely colocated near the southern component at a redshift of 3.179.

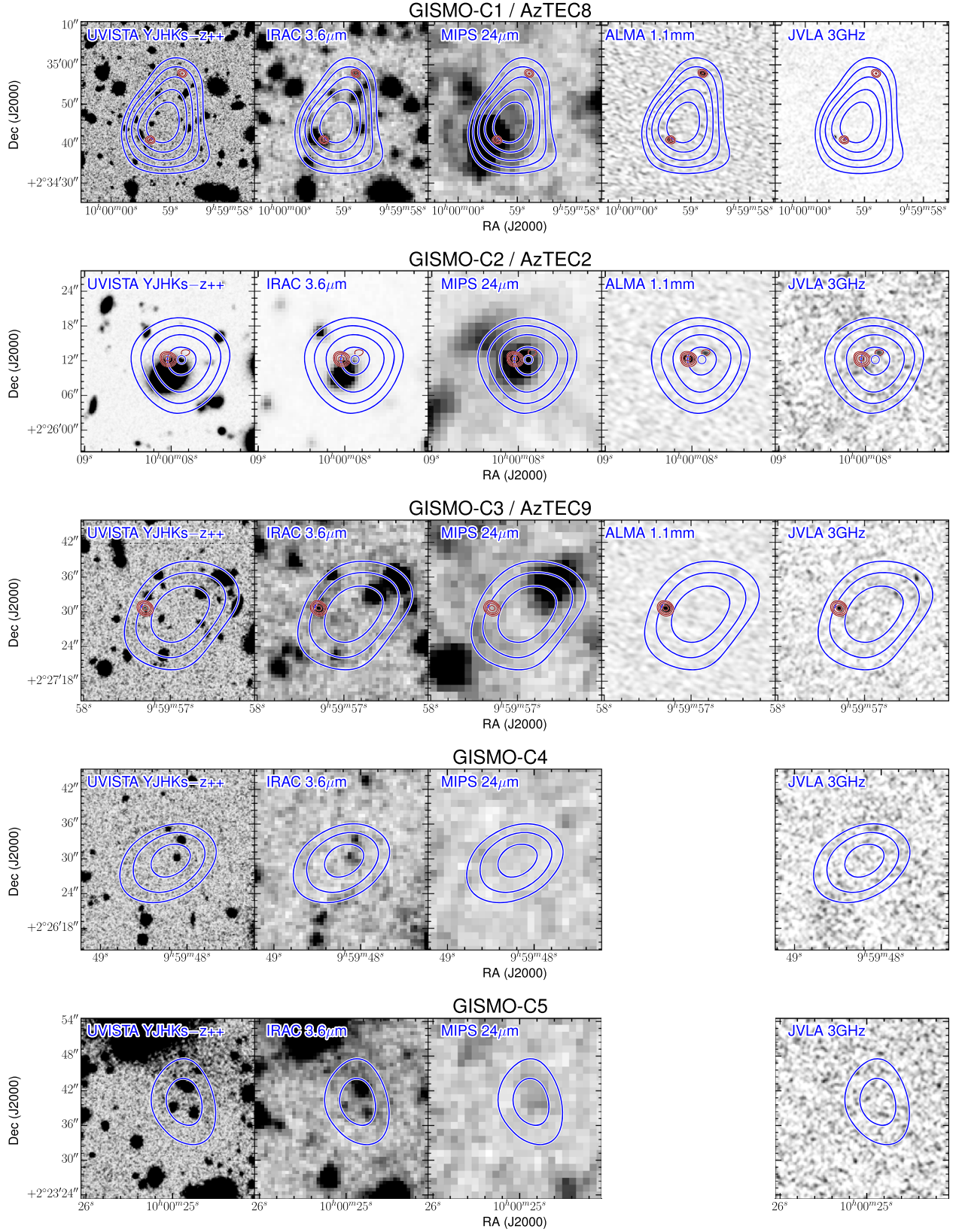
As described in Younger et al. (2007, 2009),  $\sim 2''$  east of GISMO-C1/AzTEC8 lies a bright and compact radio galaxy (Figure 7). This galaxy is not associated with any millimeter

emission but rather with a  $24\ \mu\text{m}$  bright low-redshift counterpart. *Spitzer* and *Herschel* observations ( $\sim 5''$ – $36''$ ) are likely dominated by emission from this low-redshift interloper, and it is thus impossible to measure reliable 24-to- $500\ \mu\text{m}$  flux densities for GISMO-C1/AzTEC8. Using the *Spitzer* and *Herschel* measurements as upper limits, we derived the dust mass and infrared luminosity of GISMO-C1/AzTEC8 via FIR-to-mm SED fitting using the dust model of Draine & Li (2007; Table 3; Figure 12; see Section 3.4 for details). We found  $\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot}) = 9.9 \pm 0.1$  and  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 12.6 \pm 0.3$ , yielding an  $\text{SFR} = 400^{+390}_{-200}\ M_{\odot}\ \text{yr}^{-1}$ . Finally, high-resolution ( $< 0''.05$ ) observations at  $870\ \mu\text{m}$  with ALMA have revealed asymmetric structures with multiple clumps in the central kiloparsec of AzTEC8 (Iono et al. 2016).

#### 2.4.2. GISMO-C2/AzTEC2/SCUBA-2 450.03/850.00

GISMO-C2 is associated with the second- and third-brightest galaxies in the  $1.1\ \text{mm}$  AzTEC/JCMT (AzTEC2— $\theta_{\text{offset}} = 2''$ ; Scott et al. 2008; Younger et al. 2007) and AzTEC/ASTE (AzTEC-C3; Aretxaga et al. 2011) surveys, respectively. The source is also coincident with 450.03/850.00 in the SCUBA-2 450 and  $850\ \mu\text{m}$  maps of Casey et al. (2013). Follow-up with ALMA at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  revealed two components within the contours of our GISMO detection (Figure 7; Brisbin et al. 2017). These two components are separated by  $3''$ , the eastern component being  $\sim \times 4$  brighter at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  than the western component. Both have counterparts in the  $0''.75$  JVLA 3 GHz COSMOS survey (Smolčić et al. 2017). Unfortunately, there are no reliable spectroscopic redshift estimates of either component. A preliminary optical/near-infrared redshift solution of  $z = 1.123$  has been used in the literature (e.g., Smolčić et al. 2012, 2017; Miettinen et al. 2015, 2017a, 2017c) for the eastern component; however, this solution corresponds to an optical counterpart  $1''$  offset to the south of the eastern component. That galaxy, visible in the optical behind what appears to be a much lower redshift ( $z = 0.3$ ) galaxy whose centroid is another  $1''$  to the south, could have an associated tentative CO line emission detected with CARMA (see discussion of the ambiguity of this source in Casey et al. 2017; E. F. Jiménez-Andrade 2019, private communication). However, further analysis of this source's obscured SED argues against a  $z = 1.123$  redshift solution, given the unusually cold dust temperature that such a redshift would imply. Without direct optical/near-infrared counterparts, the only redshift constraints we can place on GISMO-C2 are based on the ALMA  $1.3\ \text{mm}$  and JVLA 3 GHz radio photometry. For the eastern component, Brisbin et al. (2017) found  $z = 3.89^{+3.11}_{-0.67}$ , while for the western component, they reported  $z = 2.03^{+1.19}_{-0.31}$ . Assuming that the flux density ratios of these components are the same at  $1.3$  and  $2\ \text{mm}$  (i.e.,  $4.5/1.15$ ), we concluded that GISMO-C2 is dominated by emission from the eastern component, i.e., a galaxy potentially at  $z > 3$ .

It is clear that *Spitzer* and *Herschel* observations at the position of GISMO-C2/AzTEC2 are significantly contaminated by emission from the foreground galaxies, potentially both the  $z = 1.12$  system and the  $z \sim 0.3$  galaxy further to the south (Figure 7). Using *Spitzer* and *Herschel* measurements as upper limits, scaling all single-dish (sub)mm flux densities by the flux density ratio observed at  $1.3\ \text{mm}$ , and using  $z = 3.89$ , we found  $\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot}) = 9.6 \pm 0.1$  and  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 13.0 \pm 0.3$ , which yields  $\text{SFR} = 1000^{+1000}_{-500}\ M_{\odot}\ \text{yr}^{-1}$  (Table 3; Figure 12) for GISMO-C2/AzTEC2.



**Figure 7.** The  $40'' \times 40''$  cutouts for  $\geq 3.7\sigma$  GISMO sources in the near-infrared (UVISTA *YJHKs-z++*), *Spitzer*-IRAC 3.6  $\mu\text{m}$ , *Spitzer*-MIPS 24  $\mu\text{m}$ , ALMA 1.3 mm (when available), and JVLA 3 GHz. Blue contours represent the flux levels in the GISMO map in  $0.5\sigma$  steps, starting at  $3\sigma$ . The detection significance of each GISMO source can thus be directly read off these contours. Red contours show the flux levels in the ALMA 1.3 mm maps (when available) in  $0.5\sigma$  steps, starting at  $3\sigma$ . For GISMO-C6, we show the optical counterpart of SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104 (red square) identified in Casey et al. (2013, 2017), along with the JVLA 3 GHz  $\geq 5\sigma$  detections (red plus signs). Finally, for this galaxy, we also add the  $2.5\sigma$  and  $3\sigma$  contours of the SCUBA-2 450 (green) and 850 ( $\mu\text{m}$ ) maps from Casey et al. (2013).



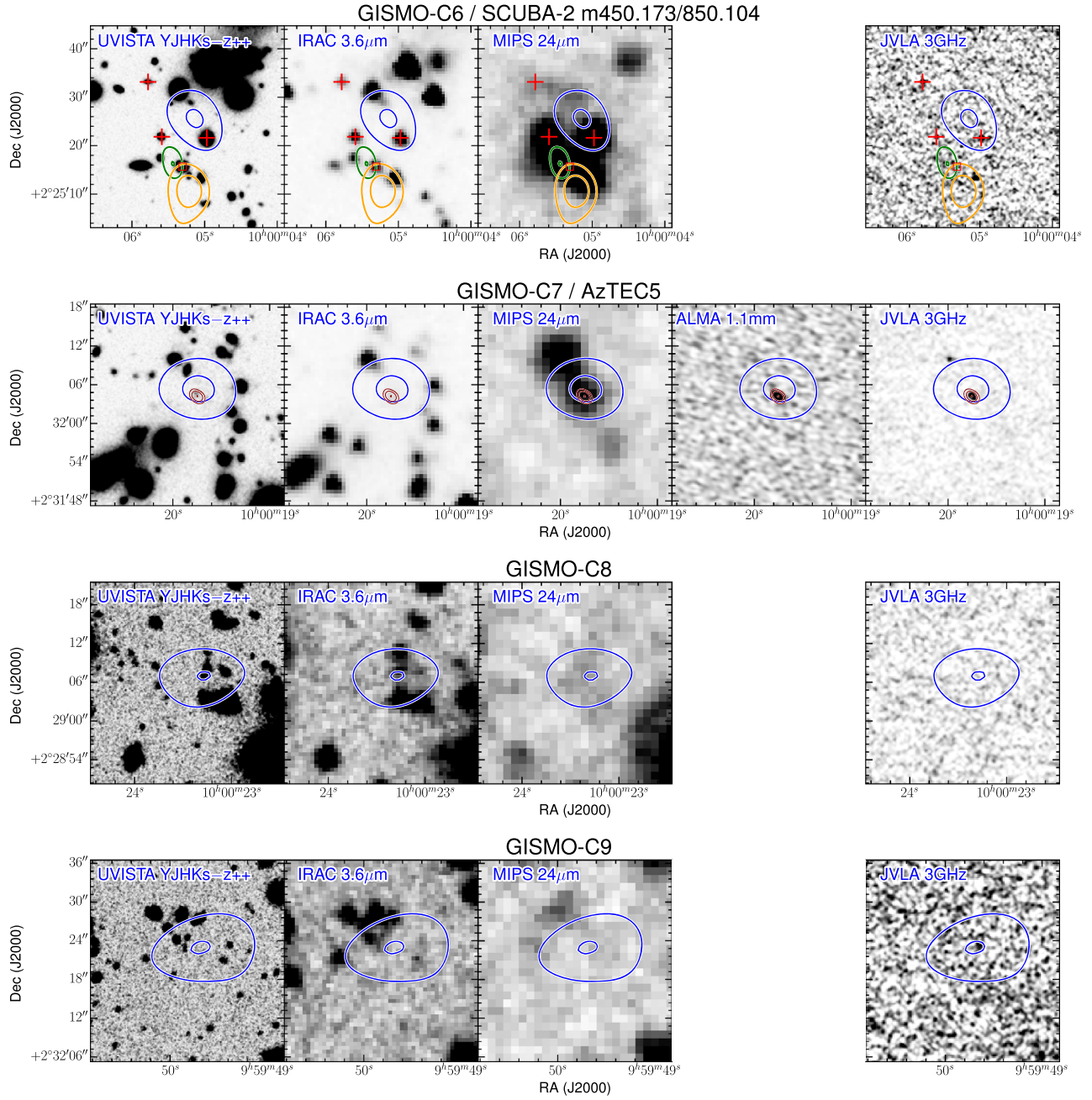


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#### 2.4.3. GISMO-C3/AzTEC9/SCUBA-2 850.01

GISMO-C3 is associated with AzTEC9 ( $\theta_{\text{offset}} = 7''.1$ ; Scott et al. 2008; Younger et al. 2009), AzTEC/C14 (Aretxaga et al. 2011), and SCUBA-2 850.01 (Casey et al. 2013). ALMA follow-up at 1.3 mm revealed a single component, well within our GISMO contours (Figure 7; Brisbin et al. 2017). A tentative spectroscopic redshift of 1.357 was obtained for AzTEC9 from a relatively weak spectrum (M. Salvato et al. 2019, in preparation) with DEIMOS at the Keck Telescope. Although this estimate is consistent with the photometric redshift derived by Smolčić et al. (2012) of  $1.07^{+0.11}_{-0.10}$  and the photometric redshift of  $z = 1.45$  from Laigle et al. (2016), it has been suggested that this spectroscopic redshift corresponds to a nearby source unassociated with the (sub)mm emission (Koprowski et al. 2014). It has also not been verified in deep near-infrared

observations with Keck/MOSFIRE, where one might have expected to cleanly detect H $\alpha$  emission (Casey et al. 2017). In contrast, Brisbin et al. (2017) have derived optical/NIR- and FIR-based photometric redshifts of  $4.58^{+0.25}_{-0.68}$  and  $4.39 \pm 1.39$ , respectively, which agree with those derived by Koprowski et al. (2014) of  $4.85^{+0.50}_{-0.15}$  and  $4.60^{+0.50}_{-0.31}$ , respectively. Based on the inconsistency of the low-redshift solution, we suspect the high-redshift solution for GISMO-C3/AzTEC9 is more likely.

GISMO-C3/AzTEC9 does not have a 24  $\mu$ m counterpart. It is associated with emission in the *Herschel* images, but its nondetection in the SCUBA-2/JCMT 450  $\mu$ m image suggests that a significant fraction of these *Herschel* flux densities comes from nearby galaxies. Assuming  $z = 4.58$  and treating *Herschel* flux densities as upper limits, we found  $\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot}) = 9.6 \pm 0.1$  and  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 13.0 \pm 0.2$ , which yields an

$\text{SFR} = 1000^{+580}_{-370} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  (Table 3; Figure 12) for GISMO-C3/AzTEC9.

#### 2.4.4. GISMO-C6/SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104

GISMO-C6 could be associated with SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104 ( $\theta_{\text{offset}} = 7''.5$ ), one of the marginal  $3 < \sigma < 3.6$  450  $\mu\text{m}$  identified sources with  $>3\sigma$  850  $\mu\text{m}$  counterparts reported by Casey et al. (2013). Though there are only marginal detections at all of these wavelengths, the source is unlikely to be spurious for having been detected in multiple independent data sets. The source is ambiguous because GISMO-C6 is situated  $\sim 7''.5$  away from the SCUBA-2 position, though this is within the positional uncertainties of both sources. Casey et al. (2013) associated SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104 with an optical counterpart with a 24  $\mu\text{m}$  counterpart and  $z_{\text{phot}} = 1.01$  (Figure 7). Near-infrared spectroscopic follow-up of this source with Keck MOSFIRE in Casey et al. (2017) yields a spectroscopic redshift of 1.003 and, subsequently, a infrared luminosity of  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 11.81 \pm 0.25$ . However, deep radio 3 GHz imaging of the COSMOS field (Smolčić et al. 2017) did not show a radio counterpart to this source, leading to a far-infrared-to-radio luminosity ratio,  $q$ , of 2.8, at odds with the expected  $2.47 \pm 0.26$  value at this redshift (Magnelli et al. 2015; Delhaize et al. 2017). The 3 GHz COSMOS image shows, however, two other possible counterparts (Figure 7) with a photometric redshift of 0.78 and 1.00,  $\sim 6''$  northwest and  $\sim 6''$  northeast of the source identified by Casey et al. (2017), respectively. *Spitzer* and *Herschel* observations exhibit bright but confused emission most likely associated with these low-redshift galaxies. Similarly, the (sub)mm emission of GISMO-C6/SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104 could well originate from the combined emission of these low-redshift galaxies, which might be part of a single system. However, it could also be emitted by a yet unknown optically faint high-redshift galaxy. Deep interferometric (sub)mm observations are needed to further investigate the nature of GISMO-C6/SCUBA-2 m450.173/850.104.

Assuming a low-redshift origin of the (sub)mm emission, i.e.,  $z = 1.003$  as in Casey et al. (2017), and using *Herschel* measurements as upper limits, we found  $\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot}) = 9.2 \pm 0.3$  and  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 11.6 \pm 0.3$ , which yields an  $\text{SFR} = 40^{+40}_{-20} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  (Table 3; Figure 12). These estimates are fully consistent with those inferred in Casey et al. (2017).

#### 2.4.5. GISMO-C7/AzTEC5/SCUBA-2 450.04/850.03

GISMO-C7 is associated with AzTEC5 ( $\theta_{\text{offset}} = 1''.6$ ; Scott et al. 2008), AzTEC/C42 (Aretxaga et al. 2011), and SCUBA-2 450.04/850.03 (Casey et al. 2013). The source has interferometric follow-up from both the SMA at 890  $\mu\text{m}$  (Younger et al. 2007, 2009) and ALMA at 1.3 mm (Figure 7; Brisbin et al. 2017) revealing a single counterpart. Although there still is no spectroscopic redshift reported in the literature for AzTEC5, Casey et al. (2013) quoted an optical/near-infrared photometric redshift, derived in Ilbert et al. (2013), of  $z_{\text{phot}} = 3.82^{+0.44}_{-0.69}$ , which is consistent with other far-infrared/radio determinations of the photometric redshift (Smolčić et al. 2012; Koprowski et al. 2014; Brisbin et al. 2017). Recently, thanks to high-resolution observations with *HST* toward AzTEC5, Gómez-Guijarro et al. (2018) reported that it has three primary rest-frame UV components, with stellar masses of  $\log(M_{\star}/M_{\odot}) = 9.92^{+0.10}_{-0.10}$ ,  $9.78^{+0.08}_{-0.10}$ , and  $9.59^{+0.08}_{-0.06}$  and 3D-*HST*-based redshifts

of  $z = 3.63^{+0.14}_{-0.15}$ ,  $z = 4.02^{+0.08}_{-0.08}$ , and  $z = 3.66^{+0.40}_{-0.43}$  (Brammer et al. 2012; Skelton et al. 2014; Momcheva et al. 2016). Since these redshifts are consistent within the uncertainties, it is likely that these three components belong to the same system (Gómez-Guijarro et al. 2018), favoring a scenario in which GISMO-C7/AzTEC5 is a merger-driven star-forming galaxy at  $z \sim 3.6$ .

Assuming  $z = 3.63$  and treating the *Herschel* measurements as upper limits, we found  $\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot}) = 9.3 \pm 0.1$  and  $\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot}) = 13.1 \pm 0.1$ , which yields an  $\text{SFR} = 1250^{+320}_{-260} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$  (Table 3; Figure 12) for GISMO-C7/AzTEC5.

#### 2.4.6. GISMO Sources with No (Sub)mm Counterparts

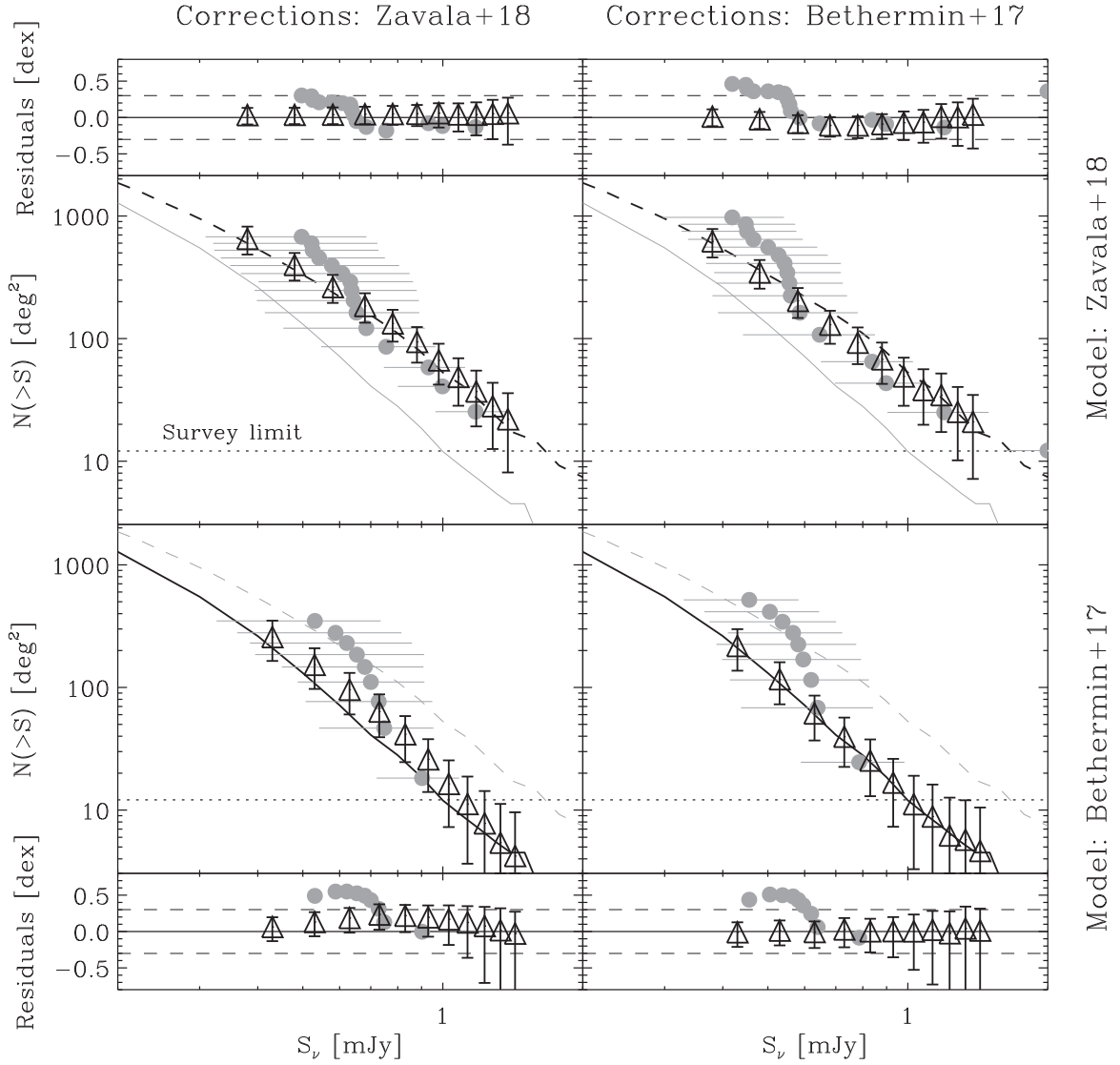
Four out of nine GISMO  $\geq 3.7\sigma$  detections are not associated with any known SMGs, even though they are within deep and available (sub)mm coverage of the COSMOS field (Scott et al. 2008; Aretxaga et al. 2011; Casey et al. 2013; Geach et al. 2017). Such (sub)mm dropouts could be false 2 mm detections. However, the probability of all four being false detections is relatively low, as only 9% of our pure jackknifed maps have  $\geq 4$  false detections with  $\text{S/N} \geq 3.7$ . These (sub)mm dropouts could instead be unidentified high-redshift galaxies (e.g., S14).

GISMO-C4 is the fourth-brightest source in our survey. It is detected with high significance and is thus very unlikely to be a false detection, i.e.,  $P_f = 6.2\%$  (Table 1). It is within deep SCUBA-2/JCMT and AzTEC/ASTE coverages (i.e.,  $\sim 0.8$  and  $\sim 1.26 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  rms at 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm, respectively; Aretxaga et al. 2011; Casey et al. 2013). Taking the 80% completeness detection limits of these surveys<sup>15</sup> (i.e., 5 and 5.5 mJy at 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm, respectively) yields 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios  $< 7.1$  and  $< 7.8$ , respectively. Such low flux density ratios indicate that the 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm broad bands do not probe the Rayleigh–Jeans emission of GISMO-C4, because otherwise the 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios would be in the ranges 20–30 and 8–11, respectively. Instead, the 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm broad bands likely probe rest-frame wavelengths shortward of 300  $\mu\text{m}$ , supporting a high-redshift solution for this galaxy, i.e.,  $z > 3-4$ . This high-redshift candidate will require dedicated follow-up efforts with, e.g., ALMA or NOEMA.

GISMO-C5, GISMO-C8, and GISMO-C9 are all detected at  $4.0 \geq \text{S/N} \geq 3.7$  at 2 mm, a detection significance range in which we expect 1.22 false detections (Section 2.3.3). Given that GISMO-C6 and GISMO-C7 (the other two sources detected in this significance range) have known (sub)mm counterparts, it is likely that at least one of these three (sub)mm dropouts is a false detection. GISMO-C5, GISMO-C8, and GISMO-C9 are within deep AzTEC/ASTE coverage (Aretxaga et al. 2011). However, only GISMO-C5 and GISMO-C8 sit in the deep central 850  $\mu\text{m}$  map of Casey et al. (2013), while GISMO-C9 has a shallower 850  $\mu\text{m}$  upper limit from Geach et al. (2017). The 80% completeness detection limits from these surveys<sup>16</sup> lead to 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios in the ranges 9.8–13.3 and 10.7–11.8, respectively. Such low flux density ratios (but not as low as observed in GISMO-C4) suggest that these galaxies

<sup>15</sup> These 80% completeness limits are read off Figure 6 of Casey et al. (2013) —taking the mean value from their  $3\sigma$  and  $4\sigma$  curves as the final 850  $\mu\text{m}$  catalog is cut at 3.6 $\sigma$ —and Figure 5 of Aretxaga et al. (2011).

<sup>16</sup> The 80% completeness from Geach et al. (2017) is read off their Figure 8, i.e., 6.2 mJy.



**Figure 8.** “Corrected” cumulative number counts (open triangles) measured on simulated maps following the models of Zavala et al. (2018; upper row) and Béthermin et al. (2017; lower row) using our Monte Carlo approach and corrections inferred from the models of Zavala et al. (2018; left column) and Béthermin et al. (2017; right column). The input cumulative number counts followed by the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) are shown by the dashed and solid lines, respectively. The horizontal dotted line shows the limit of our survey, i.e., the sky density below which the number of sources in our simulated maps would be lower than 1. The residuals between the inferred and input number counts are displayed in the upper and lower row panels. Gray circles show the “corrected” cumulative number counts measured in one of these simulated maps using the methodology described in S14 instead of our Monte Carlo approach. With our Monte Carlo methodology, the “corrected” number counts are consistent within the uncertainties with the input number count distribution.

reside at high redshift (i.e.,  $z \gtrsim 3$ ). Further follow-up efforts are needed, keeping in mind that at least one of these sources is likely a false detection.

### 3. Results

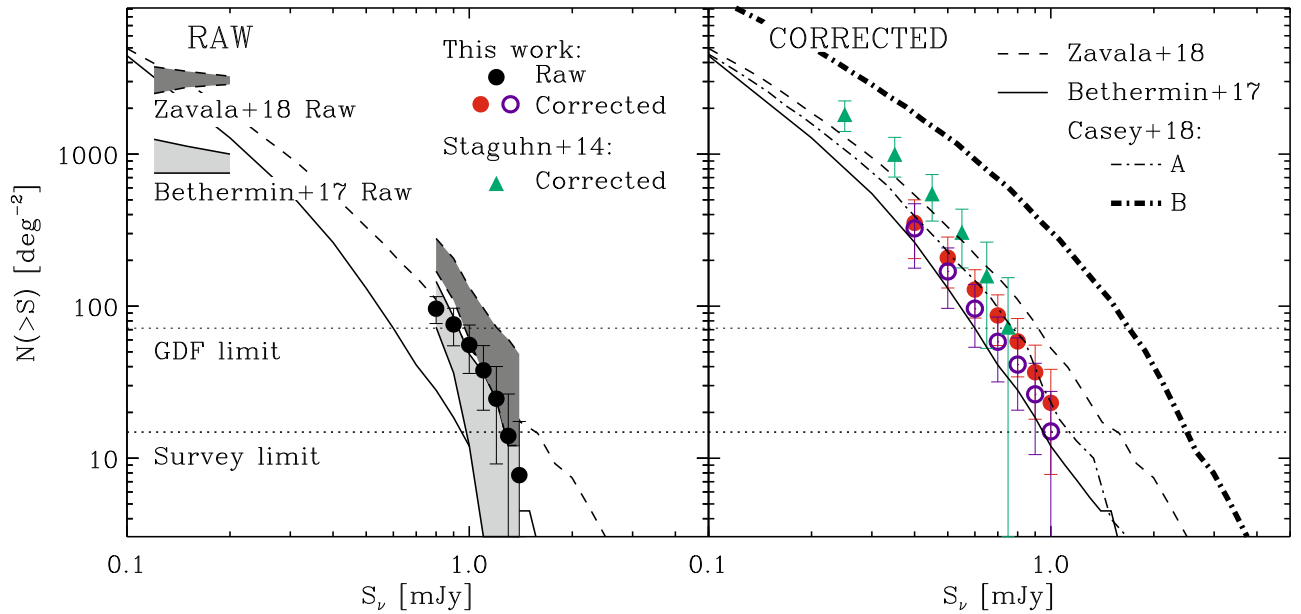
#### 3.1. 2 mm Source Counts

In the absence of robust redshift determinations for all of our sources, number counts are the most powerful tool to constrain models of galaxy evolution from our catalog. “Corrected” cumulative number counts, i.e.,  $N(>S)$ , are given by the number of galaxies with a flux density higher than  $S$ ,

$$N(>S) = \sum_{S_{\text{in}}^i > S} \frac{1 - P_f(S_{\text{out}}^i/N_{\text{out}}^i)}{A_{\text{eff}} \times C(S_{\text{in}}^i)}, \quad (2)$$

where  $S_{\text{in}}^i$  and  $S_{\text{out}}^i$  are, respectively, the *deboosted* and *observed* flux densities of the  $i$ th source, while  $N_{\text{out}}^i$  is its observed flux density error (Table 1);  $P_f(S_{\text{out}}^i/N_{\text{out}}^i)$  is its probability of being a false detection (Table 1);  $C(S_{\text{in}}^i)$  is the completeness of our source extraction at this deboosted flux density (Figure 4); and  $A_{\text{eff}}$  is the area for the source extraction (i.e., 250 arcmin<sup>2</sup>, where the rms is better than 0.23 mJy beam<sup>-1</sup>). Deboosted flux densities and  $P_f(S_{\text{out}}^i/N_{\text{out}}^i)$  being model-dependent, “corrected” cumulative number counts must be evaluated for each model. To avoid these model dependencies, we will also report here “raw” number counts by setting  $P_f(S_{\text{out}}^i/N_{\text{out}}^i) = 0.0$ ,  $C(S_{\text{in}}^i) = 1$ , and  $S_{\text{in}}^i = S_{\text{out}}^i$ . “Raw” number counts are not easily comparable with past and future literature measurements, as these latter naturally suffer from different observational biases





**Figure 9.** Cumulative number counts measured by applying our Monte Carlo methodology to the GISMO COSMOS catalog. In the left panel, black circles show the “raw” cumulative number counts, i.e., applying our Monte Carlo methodology to our observed flux densities without completeness and contamination corrections. The dark and light gray regions show the 16th and 86th percentiles of the “raw” cumulative number count distributions measured using 1000 mock catalogs from 1000 simulated maps following the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017), respectively. In the right panel, red and blue circles present the “corrected” cumulative number counts measured by applying our Monte Carlo methodology to our deboosted flux densities and using completeness and contamination corrections from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017), respectively. Green triangles are data from S14, using their Béthermin et al. (2011)–based deboosted fluxes. Cumulative number counts estimated by the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) are shown by the dashed and solid lines, respectively. In the right panel, the thin and thick dotted–dashed lines show the cumulative number counts as in models A and B of Casey et al. (2018b). The horizontal dotted line shows the limit of our survey, i.e., the sky density below which the number of sources in our map would be lower than 1. For comparison, we also show the survey limit of the GDF. “Corrected” cumulative number counts measured from our map using different corrections are consistent within the uncertainties with each other, as well as with the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) used to infer our corrections. Combined with the GDF measurements, we constrain the 2 mm cumulative number counts over one decade in flux density.

(i.e., flux boosting, contamination, and completeness). However, “raw” number counts can be compared to model predictions using the mock maps produced in Section 2.3 that reproduce the observational biases affecting our survey.

To properly account for the large, asymmetric, and non-Gaussian deboosted flux uncertainties of our sources, we measured  $N(>S)$  using a Monte Carlo approach. We created 1000 realizations of our catalog, drawing the deboosted flux densities of each source following the flux-boosting distribution measured at their respective  $S/N$ s and shown in Figure 3. The “corrected” cumulative number counts and associated uncertainties are then given by the average and dispersion of the  $N(>S)$  distribution measured over these 1000 realizations. To validate this approach, we applied this methodology to our simulations. In the upper left and lower right panels of Figure 8, we show the mean and dispersion of  $N(>S)$  as measured by applying this methodology to 200 map realizations. On average, this methodology perfectly retrieved the input number count distribution, and for 68% of our map realizations, it provides measurements within  $\sim 0.15$  dex. However, these tests correspond to an ideal case in which the corrections (i.e., flux-boosting statistics and  $P_f(S_{\text{out}}^i/N_{\text{out}}^i)$ ) were measured on the same model. In reality, we obviously do not know the intrinsic sky model and are thus limited by the model dependencies of our corrections. To test this effect, we applied corrections measured on one model to the other model. Results are shown in the upper right and lower left panels of Figure 8. In these more realistic cases, we naturally do not perfectly retrieve the input number count distributions. The corrections from Zavala et al. (2018), with their lower flux-boosting

statistics, slightly overestimate the number count distribution when applied to catalogs extracted from Béthermin et al.’s (2017) simulated maps. On the other hand, corrections from Béthermin et al. (2017) slightly underestimate the number counts when applied to the catalogs extracted from Zavala et al.’s (2018) simulated maps. These over/underestimations are, however, comparable to the uncertainties and certainly do not lead to number count distributions equal to that from the correction model. Note that the number count distributions followed by these models bracket that inferred from our real catalog, suggesting that they provide a realistic representation of the range of possible corrections.

Finally, using the same simulations, we tested the methodology advocated in S14, i.e., plotting the number of sources at each deboosted flux density, divided by the effective area for the detection of sources. The results of this test for one of our simulations are shown by gray circles in Figure 8. Irrespective of the corrections used in this methodology, it systematically overestimates the number counts at low flux densities, where the uncertainties on the deboosted fluxes are large. This is understandable when considering the case of two sources with the same deboosted flux densities but large uncertainties: at their common flux density, the number of sources is equal to two, but the probability that both have fluxes greater than this value is equal to 0.5, leading to a  $\times 2$  overestimation of the cumulative number counts. Note that this test does not imply that the deboosted flux densities quoted in S14 are incorrect; it simply indicates that the number counts inferred in S14 from these deboosted flux densities are overestimated at faint flux densities.

**Table 2**  
Raw and Corrected Cumulative Number Counts at 2 mm

Raw Number Counts		Corrected Number Counts		
$S_{2\text{mm}}^{\text{obs}}$ (mJy)	$N(>S)$ (deg <sup>-2</sup> )	$S_{2\text{mm}}^{\text{deboosted}}$ (mJy)	$N(>S)^a$ (deg <sup>-2</sup> )	$N(>S)^b$ (deg <sup>-2</sup> )
This Survey				
0.8	96 ± 19	0.4	353 ± 147	324 ± 147
0.9	76 ± 21	0.5	208 ± 77	169 ± 72
1.0	55 ± 19	0.6	129 ± 45	96 ± 43
1.1	38 ± 17	0.7	87 ± 32	58 ± 27
1.2	25 ± 15	0.8	59 ± 24	41 ± 21
1.3	14 ± 13	0.9	37 ± 19	26 ± 16
1.4	<18	1.0	23 ± 15	15 ± 12
GDF				
		0.25	1823 ± 415	
		0.35	997 ± 291	
		0.45	548 ± 185	
		0.55	306 ± 128	
		0.65	158 ± 105	
		0.75	73 ± 81	

**Notes.**

<sup>a</sup> Measured using corrections from the model of Zavala et al. (2018) and, for the GDF, the model of Béthermin et al. (2011).

<sup>b</sup> Measured using corrections from the model of Béthermin et al. (2017).

Having validated our Monte Carlo methodology on simulations, we now measure the “raw” and “corrected” GISMO COSMOS 2 mm cumulative number counts using this approach. For our “raw” measurements, this simply implies creating 1000 realizations of our catalog, drawing the observed flux density of each source following Gaussian distributions characterized by their observed flux uncertainties.

In the left panel in Figure 9, we show our “raw” 2 mm cumulative number counts, while in the right panel, we show our “corrected” cumulative number counts. Table 2 provides the same data in tabular form. In the left panel of Figure 9, we compare these “raw” measurements with the “raw” predictions from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017). These predictions correspond to the 16th and 86th percentiles of the “raw” cumulative number count distribution measured using 1000 mock source catalogs retrieved from 1000 simulated maps generated in Section 2.3. In the right panel, we compare our “corrected” 2 mm cumulative number counts with the intrinsic model predictions. Finally, also in the right panel, we compare our “corrected” measurements with those from S14, applying our Monte Carlo methodology to their Béthermin et al. (2011)–based deboosted flux densities, assuming that their associated uncertainties follow a Gaussian distribution.

Our “raw” cumulative number counts are nicely bracketed by the “raw” predictions from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017). This suggests that these models provide us with a reasonable range of possible corrections and thus robust “corrected” cumulative number count measurements. This also suggests that models predicting significantly more or fewer 2 mm sources in the ~mJy regime are inconsistent with our observations.

Our two different sets of corrections yield very consistent “corrected” cumulative number count measurements, well within their uncertainties. These measurements agree also

within their uncertainties with those from S14 in the flux density range where they overlap. This comparison clearly illustrates the advantage of the “wedding cake” observing strategy followed by the GISMO team. On the one hand, the COSMOS map with its large sky coverage provides critical constraints on the 2 mm number counts at high flux densities, inaccessible to the pencil-beam survey of the GDF. On the other hand, the GDF provides critical constraints at low flux densities, well below the detection threshold of our COSMOS map. Combining these two surveys, we obtain robust measurements of the 2 mm number counts over almost one decade in flux density.

The models of both Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) are consistent within the uncertainties with our “corrected” measurements. We also include two additional models drawn from Casey et al. (2018b), which are identical to the Zavala et al. (2018) model but assume a different evolution in  $\Phi_*$  of the obscured luminosity function beyond  $z > 2$ . Model A represents a “dust-poor” early universe, while Model B represents a “dust-rich” early universe. Among all models plotted in Figure 9, the Casey et al. (2018b) Model A provides the best description of our estimates.<sup>17</sup> Although with our number counts, we cannot fully discriminate between the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017) and Model A of Casey et al. (2018b), our data are inconsistent with the most extreme extrapolation of the Casey et al. (2018b) Model B, the “dust-rich” early universe. It is important to point out, however, that such “dust-rich” models are very dependent on the model cutoff redshift (discussed more extensively in Zavala et al. 2018). This cutoff redshift represents a model instantaneous redshift above which no more DSFGs can be found, and letting it vary in the range  $6 < z_{\text{cutoff}} < 12$  changes the expected 2 mm number counts of a “dust-rich” universe substantially. By tuning down this parameter, starting from its original value of 12 in Casey et al. (2018b) and continuing until we find a broad agreement with our number count measurements,<sup>18</sup> we can rule out Model B with  $z_{\text{cutoff}} \geq 7$ .

### 3.2. The Observed (Sub)mm-to-2 mm Colors

The observed 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios provide constraints on the nature and dust properties of galaxies. On the one hand, for galaxies at  $z \lesssim 2$ , these broad bands probe their Rayleigh–Jeans dust emission, providing a measure of their dust emissivity spectral index,  $\beta$ . While  $\beta$  varies on Galactic scales, extragalactic measurements converge to  $1.5 \leq \beta \leq 2.0$  (e.g., Dunne & Eales 2001; Magnelli et al. 2012), corresponding to 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios in the range 8–11 and 20–30, respectively. On the other hand, for galaxies at  $z \gtrsim 2$ , the 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm broad bands probe closer to the peak of the dust emission, yielding much lower 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios that, in the absence of robust redshift measurements, can be used to support their high-redshift nature.

The observed 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios of our nine GISMO galaxies as a function of their 1.1 mm flux densities and, when available, redshifts (see Table 3) are displayed in Figure 10. For sources with no

<sup>17</sup> Performing our Monte Carlo simulations using Model A of Casey et al. (2018b), we ended up with deboosted flux densities and “corrected” number count measurements intermediate to those inferred from the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017), leaving our results unchanged.

<sup>18</sup> The results of this fine-tuning are, however, not shown in Figure 9.

**Table 3**  
GISMO (Sub)mm Counterparts

	GISMO-C1	GISMO-C2	GISMO-C3	GISMO-C6	GISMO-C7	GISMO-C4 <sup>a</sup>
	AzTEC8	AzTEC2	AzTEC9	m450.173/850.104	AzTEC5	
(Sub-)mm name	AzTEC/C2	AzTEC/C3	AzTEC/C14		AzTEC/C42	...
		450.03/850.00	850.01		450.04/850.03	
ALMA name <sup>b</sup>	C2a	C3a	C14	...	C42	...
Redshift	3.179 <sup>c</sup>	3.89 <sup>+3.11</sup> <sub>-0.67</sub> <sup>d</sup>	4.58 <sup>+0.25</sup> <sub>-0.68</sub> <sup>e</sup>	1.003 <sup>f</sup>	3.63 <sup>+0.37</sup> <sub>-0.56</sub> <sup>e</sup>	...
$S_{24\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<0.054	<0.181	<0.054	0.26 ± 0.02	0.189 ± 0.013	<0.054
$S_{100\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<7.7	<5.0	<5.0	<6.9	<5.0	<8.5
$S_{160\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<33.5	<15.6	<10.2	<36.1	<10.2	<17
$S_{250\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<62.7	<33.3	<14.4	<47.6	<54.1	<14
$S_{350\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<62.0	<47.1	<22.9	<41.4	<57.5	<19
$S_{450\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>g</sup>	...	<25.3	<17.9	8.11 ± 5.23	25.35 ± 6.06	<25
$S_{500\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>b</sup>	<69.8	<39.2	<30.1	<20.7	<43.4	<25
$S_{850\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>g,h</sup>	6.30 ± 1.43 <sup>b</sup>	11.73 ± 1.08 <sup>g,i</sup>	11.49 ± 1.1 <sup>g</sup>	2.12 ± 0.98 <sup>g</sup>	11.42 ± 1.38 <sup>g</sup>	<5
$S_{870\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>j</sup>	12.3 ± 3.6	11.47 ± 2.39 <sup>i</sup>	16.4 ± 3.3	...	7.2 ± 0.2	...
$S_{890\ \mu\text{m}}$ <sup>k</sup>	21.6 ± 2.3	9.87 ± 0.79	7.4 ± 3.0	...	9.3 ± 1.3	...
$S_{1.1\ \text{mm}}$ <sup>l,m</sup>	5.5 ± 1.3 <sup>l</sup>	6.6 ± 1.0 <sup>l,i</sup>	5.8 ± 1.3 <sup>l</sup>	<5.5 <sup>m</sup>	6.5 ± 1.2 <sup>l</sup>	<5.5 <sup>m</sup>
$S_{1.3\ \text{mm}}$ <sup>b</sup>	4.07 ± 0.15	4.50 ± 0.15	5.01 ± 0.10	...	2.39 ± 0.1	...
$S_{2\ \text{mm}}$ <sup>n</sup>	1.09 ± 0.25	0.68 ± 0.21 <sup>i</sup>	0.75 ± 0.26	0.50 ± 0.32	0.50 ± 0.32	0.70 ± 0.27
$\log(L_{\text{IR}}/L_{\odot})$	12.6 ± 0.3	13.0 ± 0.3	13.0 ± 0.2	11.6 ± 0.3	13.1 ± 0.1	...
$\log(M_{\text{dust}}/M_{\odot})$	9.9 ± 0.1	9.6 ± 0.1	9.6 ± 0.1	9.2 ± 0.3	9.3 ± 0.1	...
$\log(M_{*}/M_{\odot})$ <sup>b,f</sup>	10.97 <sup>+0.01</sup> <sub>-0.01</sub> <sup>b</sup>	...	10.82 <sup>+0.01</sup> <sub>-0.10</sub> <sup>b</sup>	10.34 <sup>+0.06</sup> <sub>-0.08</sub> <sup>f</sup>	11.46 <sup>+0.00</sup> <sub>-0.00</sub> <sup>b</sup>	...
$t_{\text{depletion}}$ <sup>o</sup> [Gyr]	2.5 <sup>+2.2</sup> <sub>-1.3</sub>	0.6 <sup>+0.6</sup> <sub>-0.3</sub>	0.6 <sup>+0.4</sup> <sub>-0.2</sub>	5.7 <sup>+7.3</sup> <sub>-3.8</sub>	0.3 <sup>+0.1</sup> <sub>-0.1</sub>	...

**Notes.** All flux densities are in mJy. *Herschel* flux densities were treated as upper limits because of possible contamination by emission from low-redshift nearby galaxies.

<sup>a</sup> GISMO-C4, our fourth-brightest source with a low false-detection probability ( $\sim 6.2\%$ ), is within deep (sub)mm coverage of the COSMOS field but has no counterpart in these surveys, suggesting a high-redshift origin. To facilitate future follow-up studies, we summarize here the current upper limits on its infrared-to-millimeter photometry.

<sup>b</sup> Miettinen et al. (2017b).

<sup>c</sup> Spectroscopic redshift reported in Brisbin et al. (2017). No uncertainties are available for this redshift estimate

<sup>d</sup> Photometric redshift reported in Brisbin et al. (2017) and inferred from 3-to-240 GHz flux density ratio.

<sup>e</sup> Photometric redshift reported in Brisbin et al. (2017) and inferred by fitting their optical-to-near-infrared photometry.

<sup>f</sup> Spectroscopic redshift reported in Casey et al. (2017). No uncertainties are available for this redshift estimate.

<sup>g</sup> Casey et al. (2013).

<sup>h</sup> Geach et al. (2017).

<sup>i</sup> Original flux densities have been scaled using the ALMA flux density ratio of the two components, i.e., 4.5/(4.5 + 1.15); see text for details.

<sup>j</sup> F. Navarrete et al. (2019, in preparation).

<sup>k</sup> Younger et al. (2007, 2009).

<sup>l</sup> Scott et al. (2008).

<sup>m</sup> Aretxaga et al. (2011).

<sup>n</sup> GISMO flux densities are defined as the average deboosted flux densities provided by the models of Zavala et al. (2018) and Béthermin et al. (2017).

<sup>o</sup> Gas depletion time defined as the ratio of the total gas mass to SFR, where the total gas mass is inferred assuming a gas-to-dust ratio of 100 and SFR [ $M_{\odot}\ \text{yr}^{-1}$ ] =  $10^{-10} \times L_{\text{IR}} [L_{\odot}]$  (Kennicutt 1998).

counterparts in the AzTEC 1.1 mm or SCUBA-2 850  $\mu\text{m}$  catalogs, we used as upper limits the 80% completeness limits of these respective surveys (see Section 2.4).

The four GISMO galaxies with millimeter counterparts (i.e., GISMO-C1/-C2/-C3/-C7) have a flux density ratio distribution consistent with that observed in the GDF (S14) and the gravitationally lensed galaxy sample from the SPT survey (Strandet et al. 2016). This agreement demonstrates the quality of the GISMO calibration but also suggests that our galaxies have intrinsic properties similar to galaxies in those samples, i.e., high-redshift, highly star-forming galaxies. In addition, our galaxies, as well as those from the GDF and SPT, have at their redshifts higher 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios than predicted from local SED templates. This implies that high-redshift star-forming galaxies have, on average, hotter dust temperatures than in the local universe (see also, e.g.,

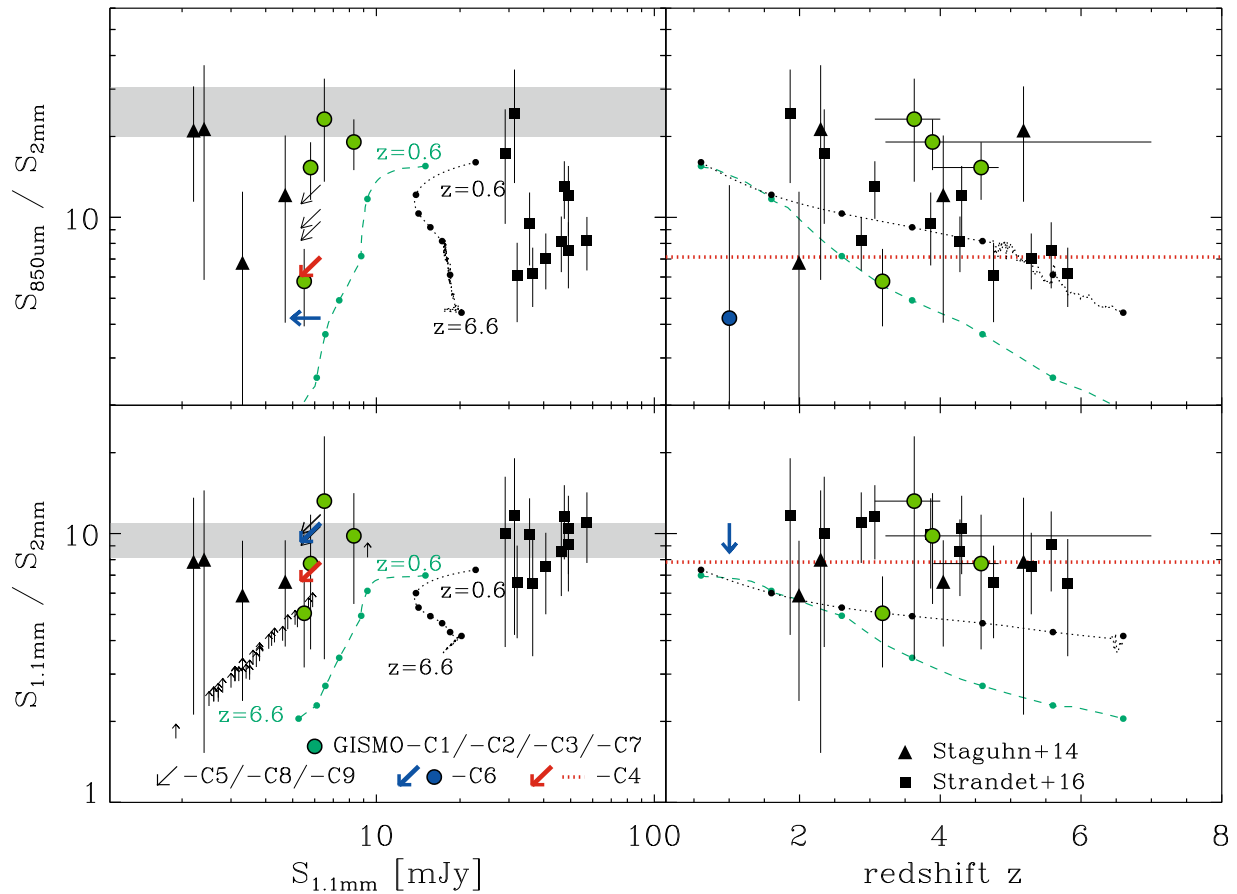
Magdis et al. 2012; Magnelli et al. 2014; Béthermin et al. 2015; Faisst et al. 2017).

GISMO-C6 has a 1.1–2 mm upper limit consistent with the rest of the distribution, but its very low 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm flux density ratio is at odds with the rest of the distribution if this galaxy is at  $z = 1.003$ . This suggests that the redshift association of this source is likely incorrect, as already discussed in Section 2.4.

All GISMO galaxies without (sub)mm counterparts have low 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm upper limits, consistent with a high-redshift nature. Among those, GISMO-C4 exhibits the lowest 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm upper limits. Combined with its low false-detection probability ( $\sim 6\%$ ), this makes GISMO-C4 a robust high-redshift ( $z > 4$ ) candidate.

Finally, as a sanity check, we evaluated lower limits on the 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios of all AzTEC 1.1 mm sources





**Figure 10.** The 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm (top row) and 1.1–2 mm (bottom row) flux density ratios of (sub)mm-selected galaxies as a function their 1.1 mm flux densities (left column) and redshifts (right column). Green circles show the GISMO COSMOS galaxies with AzTEC counterparts (i.e., GISMO-C1/-C2/-C3/-C7). GISMO-C6, which has a counterpart at 850  $\mu\text{m}$  but none at 1.1 mm, is shown by blue arrows and circles. GISMO-C4, our fourth-brightest detection, which has no counterpart at 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm, is shown by red arrows (left panels) and red dotted lines (right panels). GISMO-C5/-C8/-C9, with no counterparts at 850  $\mu\text{m}$  and 1.1 mm, are shown by black downward-pointing arrows. Black triangles are from Strandet et al. (2016), extrapolating their 1.4 mm into 1.1 mm flux densities using  $S_{1.1\text{ mm}} = S_{1.4} \times (1.4/1.1)^{3.75}$ . Black upward-pointing arrows are 1.1 mm sources in Aretxaga et al. (2011) not detected within our GISMO COSMO map. The gray shaded areas correspond to the flux density ratio ranges expected if both broad bands probed the Rayleigh–Jeans dust emission of galaxies with a dust emissivity of  $1.5 \leq \beta \leq 2.0$ . The black dotted (green dashed) lines show the evolution with redshifts from  $z = 0.6$  to  $6.6$  of these flux density ratios for a galaxy having  $L_{\text{IR}} = 10^{13.5} L_{\odot}$  ( $10^{12.5} L_{\odot}$ ) and the same SED as Arp 220 (Sd galaxy; Polletta et al. 2007). In the right panels, most galaxies have higher 850  $\mu\text{m}$ –2 mm and 1.1–2 mm flux density ratios than predicted from these SED templates, suggesting hotter dust temperatures at high redshift than in the local universe (also Magdis et al. 2012; Magnelli et al. 2014; Béthermin et al. 2015; Faisst et al. 2017).

within our deep coverage ( $\sigma \sim 0.23 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$ ) but undetected by GISMO at  $S/N \geq 3.7$ . Here we used  $5\times$  the value of the GISMO noise at the position of the AzTEC 1.1 mm sources as 2mm upper limits. None of these lower limits are at odds with the rest of the distribution. This implies that our GISMO survey did not “miss” any plausible 2 mm emitters.

### 3.3. Redshift Distribution

Recent observations, as well as phenomenological galaxy evolution models, suggested that flux density and wavelength selection are crucial determining factors in the redshift distribution of (sub)mm-selected galaxy samples (e.g., Younger et al. 2007, 2009; Béthermin et al. 2015; Strandet et al. 2016; Brisbin et al. 2017; Casey et al. 2018b). In particular, these studies found that selecting bright galaxies at long wavelengths ( $\lambda_{\text{obs}} > 1.1 \text{ mm}$ ) provides the most favorable criterion for picking out high-redshift star-forming galaxies. With our GISMO 2 mm wide survey, we can further explore these findings.

The three brightest galaxies (i.e.,  $S/N \geq 4.6$ ) in our catalog all have a (tentative) redshift measurement: GISMO-C1 has a

spectroscopic redshift of 3.179, GISMO-C2 has a (sub)mm-to-radio-based photometric redshift of  $3.89^{+3.11}_{-0.67}$ , and GISMO-C3 has an optical/NIR-based photometric redshift of  $4.58^{+0.25}_{-0.68}$  (Brisbin et al. 2017; see Section 2.4 and Table 3). In Figure 11, we show the cumulative redshift distribution of this redshift-complete 2 mm bright (i.e.,  $S/N \geq 4.6$ ) galaxy sample. To account for the large redshift uncertainties for GISMO-C2 and GISMO-C3, we used 1000 realizations of our catalog, each time drawing the redshift of our sources randomly and uniformly within their redshift uncertainties as given in Table 3 (see also Section 2.4). In Figure 11, we plotted the 16th, median, and 86th percentiles of these 1000 cumulative redshift distributions. The median redshift of our 2 mm bright galaxy sample is  $\bar{z} = 4.1$ , significantly higher than that of the COSMOS AzTEC/ASTE 1.1 mm sample analyzed by Brisbin et al. (2017), i.e.,  $\bar{z} = 2.45$ . However, restricting their sample to the five galaxies with  $S_{1.3 \text{ mm}} \geq 4.07 \text{ mJy}$  (the faintest 1.3 mm flux density found within our 2 mm bright galaxy sample; Table 3), their median redshift increases to  $\bar{z} = 4.3$ , following their conclusion that brighter millimeter sources are preferentially found at higher redshifts. While based on very

small numbers, this suggests that bright sources at 1.1 and 2 mm surveys yield very similar redshift distribution. However, the possible advantage of 2 mm surveys in picking out higher-redshift star-forming galaxies than that at 1.1 mm might only be revealed by probing even larger comoving volumes. In addition, one has to bear in mind that GISMO-C4—our next-brightest detection—has no AzTEC 1.1 mm counterpart and could thus potentially lie at very high redshifts.

In Figure 11, we also compare our findings to the predictions from Model A of Casey et al. (2018b) that best describe our number count measurements (see Section 3.1). To this end, we used mock maps generated from this model, similar to Section 2.3. In Figure 11, we plotted the 16th and 86th percentiles of the cumulative redshift distributions of sources retrieved with  $S/N \geq 4.6$  in 1000 mock maps. The redshift distribution, as well as the median redshift predicted by this model (i.e.,  $z_{\text{model}} = 3.8$ ), is consistent with our observations.

Unfortunately we could not explore the effect of different flux density cuts on the median redshift of our 2 mm selected samples. Indeed, cutting our catalog at lower  $S/N$  would include galaxies for which no redshift information is yet available (i.e., GISMO-C4, GISMO-C5, GISMO-C8, and GISMO-C9). Such analysis is postponed until further follow-up observations of these galaxies are made.

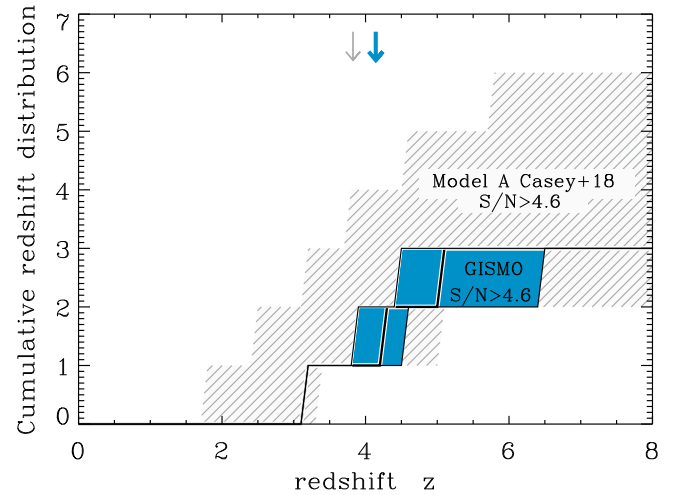
#### 3.4. FIR-to-mm SED

We derived the infrared luminosities, SFRs, and dust masses ( $M_{\text{dust}}$ ) of all GISMO galaxies with tentative redshift measurements (i.e., GISMO-C1, GISMO-C2, GISMO-C3, GISMO-C6, and GISMO-C7) via mid-infrared-to-(sub)mm SED fitting using the Draine & Li (2007) dust model<sup>19</sup> (Figure 12; Table 3). The mid-infrared-to-(sub)mm photometry and redshift used in these fits are summarized in Table 3 and were discussed in Section 2.4.

As suggested by the observed (sub)mm-to-2 mm colors (Section 3.2), the 2 mm flux densities measured by GISMO are consistent with the overall SEDs of these galaxies while putting additional constraints on their Rayleigh–Jeans dust emission. Only GISMO-C6 exhibits an unusual dust SED, which peaks at a very long wavelength ( $\lambda_{\text{peak}}^{\text{rest}} \sim 150 \mu\text{m}$ ), corresponding to a low-luminosity-weighted dust temperature of  $\sim 20$  K. This low dust temperature could be explained by the well-known  $L_{\text{IR}} - T_{\text{dust}}$  selection bias affecting (sub)mm surveys (e.g., Magnelli et al. 2012). However, this could also suggest that the redshift association for this source is incorrect, as already discussed in Section 2.4.

All of our galaxies except GISMO-C6 are very luminous ( $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{12.6} L_{\odot}$ ), corresponding to SFRs in the range  $400\text{--}1200 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ , assuming a Chabrier IMF and the relation  $\text{SFR} [M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}] = 10^{-10} \times L_{\text{IR}} [L_{\odot}]$  (Kennicutt 1998). Even with their relatively large stellar masses ( $10^{10.8\text{--}11.5} M_{\odot}$ ; Table 3), these high SFRs locate these galaxies on the upper part or above the  $z \sim 4$  main sequence of star-forming galaxies (e.g., Schreiber et al. 2015). These are thus “starburst” galaxies with respect to the bulk of the star-forming galaxy population at these redshifts.

When compared to the AzTEC 1.1 mm selected galaxies within our map (Figure 13; Miettinen et al. 2017b), it becomes



**Figure 11.** Cumulative redshift distribution of our  $S/N \geq 4.6$  (solid line; blue region) GISMO-detected galaxies. At this detection significance, all three galaxies have a redshift measurement and thus constitute a redshift-complete 2 mm bright galaxy sample. The lower and upper envelopes of the blue region show the 16th and 86th percentiles of their cumulative redshift distributions using 1000 Monte Carlo realizations, drawing the redshift of each source randomly and uniformly within their redshift uncertainties (Table 3). The thick blue arrow shows the median redshift measured over these 1000 realizations. The gray hatched region shows the corresponding cumulative redshift distributions from Model A of Casey et al. (2018b). The lower and upper envelopes of these regions represent the 16th and 86th percentiles of these distributions in 1000  $S/N \geq 4.6$  mock catalogs, i.e., injecting galaxies within our jackknifed map and retrieving them using the same source extraction method as that used to produce our real catalog. The thin gray arrow shows the median redshift over these 1000 mock catalogs.

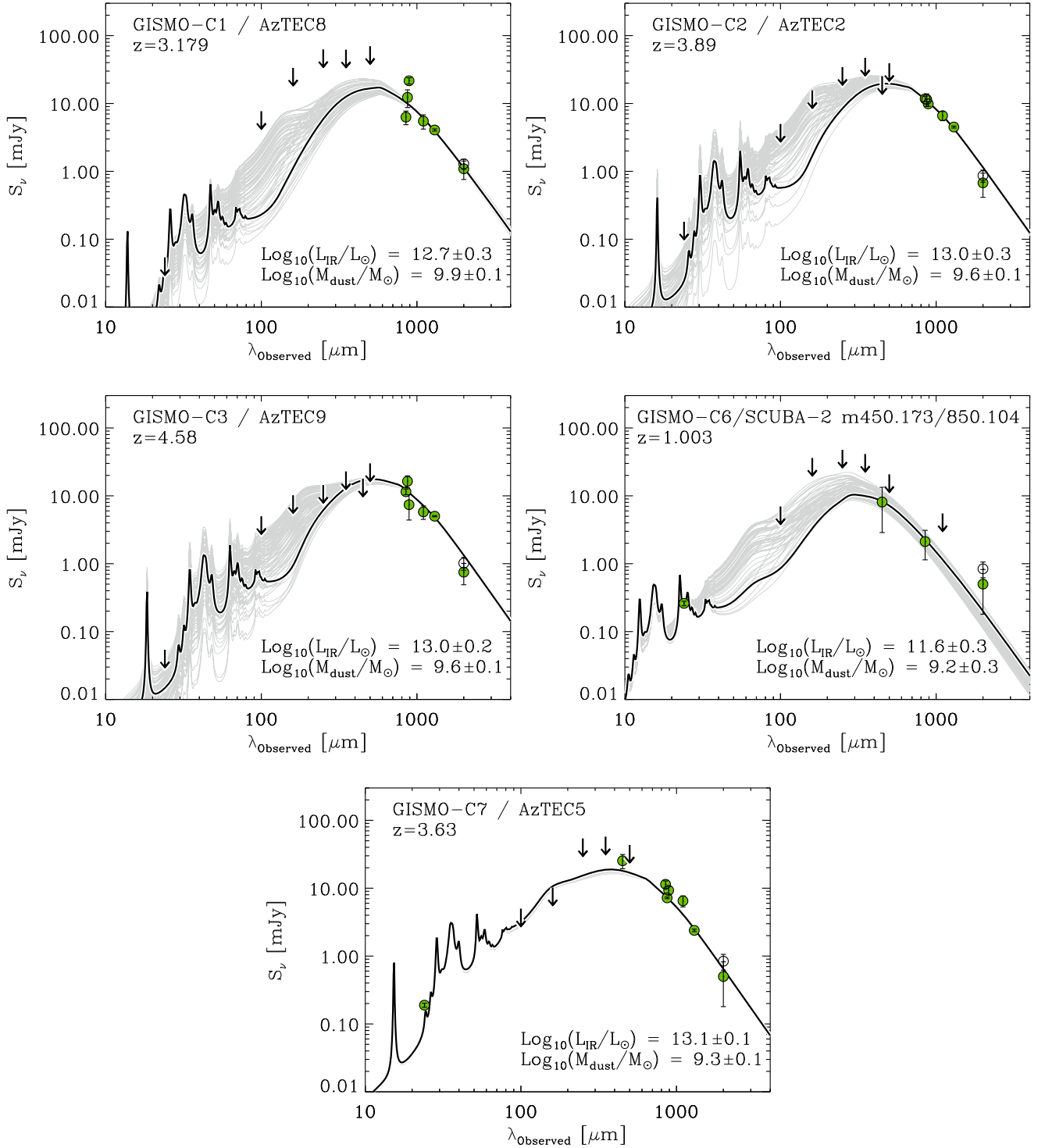
clear that our GISMO 2 mm survey picked out the brightest and highest-redshift galaxies among them. Among the six AzTEC 1.1 mm sources within our map with  $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{12.6} L_{\odot}$  and  $z > 3$ , four are detected by our GISMO survey (i.e., 66%). The only AzTEC 1.1 mm selected galaxies not detected by our survey ( $S/N \geq 3.7$ ) and with  $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{12.6} L_{\odot}$  and  $z > 3$  are AzTEC1 (aka AzTEC/C5) and AzTEC3 (aka AzTEC/C138). However, the GISMO flux density upper limits for these galaxies yield 1.1–2 mm lower limits consistent with the rest of the distribution (see the black upward-pointing arrows with  $S_{1.1 \text{ mm}} = 9.3$  and  $5.9$  mJy for AzTEC1 and AzTEC3, respectively, in the bottom left panel of Figure 10). These nondetections could thus be simply explained by the inherent incompleteness of our catalog at faint flux densities (see Figure 4) or particularly hot dust emission, especially in the case of AzTEC3 (Riechers et al. 2014). In the GISMO map, at the position of AzTEC1, we find an  $S/N \sim 3.4$  detection with  $S_{2 \text{ mm}} = 0.78 \pm 0.23$  mJy, while at the position of AzTEC3, we find an  $S/N \sim 2.4$  detection with  $S_{2 \text{ mm}} = 0.53 \pm 0.22$  mJy.

We measured massive dust content in all GISMO-detected galaxies ( $10^{9.3\text{--}9.9} M_{\odot}$ ; Table 3). From the dust and stellar masses of these galaxies, we can calculate the required dust yields per AGB star and SN, following Michałowski et al. (2010a, 2010b), i.e.,

$$M_{\text{dust}}/N(M_0 < M < M_1), \quad (3)$$

where  $N(M_0 < z < M_1)$  is the number of stars with masses between  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  in the stellar population with a total mass

<sup>19</sup> The low number of models compatible with GISMO-C7 is due to its particular photometry. It has a high-significance MIPS 24  $\mu\text{m}$  detection and very constraining PACS 100 and  $-160 \mu\text{m}$  upper limits with respect to its (sub)mm flux densities.



**Figure 12.** Broadband SED of our  $S/N \geq 3.7$  GISMO COSMOS sources with known (sub)mm counterparts. The best-fit Draine & Li (2007) model is shown by the thick black line. Light gray lines present the range of Draine & Li (2007) models with  $\chi^2_{\text{redu}} < \min(\chi^2_{\text{redu}}) + 1$ . The flux densities (green filled circles) and upper limits (downward-pointing arrows) used in these fits are given in Table 3. At 2 mm, we also show as open circles the observed GISMO flux densities not used in these fits.

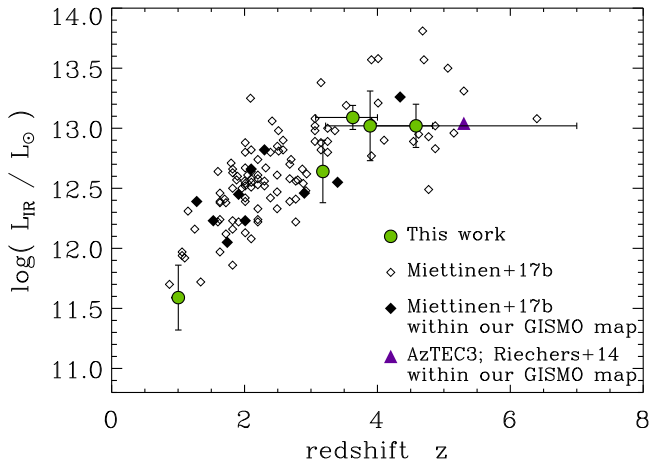
of  $M_*$ , i.e.,

$$N(M_0 < M < M_1) = M_* \frac{\int_{M_0}^{M_1} \text{IMF}(M) dM}{\int_{M_{\min}}^{M_{\max}} \text{IMF}(M) M dM}, \quad (4)$$

and where  $\text{IMF}(M)$  is the IMF from Chabrier (2003) with  $M_{\min} = 0.15$  and  $M_{\max} = 120 M_{\odot}$ . As in Michałowski et al. (2010b), for

AGB stars, we assumed  $M_0 = 2.5$  and  $M_1 = 8 M_{\odot}$ , whereas for SNe, we assumed  $M_0 = 8$  and  $M_1 = 120 M_{\odot}$ . We measure dust yields per AGB star of  $1.9 \pm 0.7$ ,  $1.3 \pm 0.5$ , and  $0.15 \pm 0.05 M_{\odot}$  for GISMO-C1, GISMO-C3, and GISMO-C7, respectively, while theoretical works predict dust yields  $\lesssim 4 \times 10^{-2} M_{\odot}$  (Michałowski et al. 2010a, 2010b, and references therein). We calculate dust yields per SNe of  $6.9 \pm 2.5$ ,  $4.9 \pm 1.8$ , and  $0.56 \pm 0.21 M_{\odot}$  for GISMO-C1, GISMO-C3, and GISMO-C7, respectively. As for





**Figure 13.** Redshift–infrared luminosity distribution of the five GISMO COSMOS galaxies with (sub)mm counterparts and redshift measurements (green filled circles). Diamonds show the redshift–infrared luminosity distribution of all AzTEC/ASTE sources in Miettinen et al. (2017b) but those associated with a GISMO counterpart (i.e., AzTEC/C2, AzTEC/C3, AzTEC/C14, and AzTEC/C42). Filled diamonds correspond to AzTEC/ASTE sources not detected at  $S/N \geq 3.7$  in the GISMO map, while open diamonds correspond to AzTEC/ASTE sources not covered by our survey. The blue triangle corresponds to AzTEC3, a high-redshift starburst not detected at  $S/N \geq 3.7$  in the GISMO map. While this source is bright in the AzTEC/JCMT map, it is relatively faint in the AzTEC/ASTE map (aka AzTEC/C138). It was thus not included in Miettinen et al. (2017b), which studied AzTEC/ASTE sources up to AzTEC/C129.

AGB stars, these yields are in tension with theoretical expectations, which are  $\lesssim 1.32 M_{\odot}$  without dust destruction and  $\lesssim 0.1 M_{\odot}$  with dust destruction (Michałowski et al. 2010a, 2010b, and references therein). As pointed out in Michałowski et al. (2010a, 2010b), such unrealistically high dust yields suggest efficient dust production in the interstellar medium of these galaxies. Note that GISMO-C2 is excluded from this analysis because it has no stellar mass estimate. Indeed, its optical/NIR photometry remains very uncertain, as it appears very obscured and unfortunately situated in the vicinity of a bright optical/NIR foreground galaxy (see Section 2.4 and Figure 7). GISMO-C6 is also excluded from this analysis because of its most probably wrong redshift identification (see Section 2.4).

Assuming a standard gas-to-dust ratio of 100 appropriate for massive systems (Leroy et al. 2011), these dust masses also translate into large gas reservoirs several times more massive than the stellar components of these galaxies. Yet these gas-rich galaxies with their extreme star formation activities deplete these reservoirs in  $< 1\text{--}2$  Gyr, in agreement with lower-redshift observations (e.g., Tacconi et al. 2018). GISMO-C6 is again the only galaxy with an usually large depletion timescale of  $5.7^{+7.3}_{-3.8}$  Gyr.

Note that deriving the gas masses of these galaxies using the methodology advocated in Scoville et al. (2016; i.e., from our 2 mm deboosted flux densities and their Equation (16)) yields measurements in perfect agreement (within  $\sim 0.1$  dex) with those inferred from the dust model of Draine & Li (2007) and a gas-to-dust ratio of 100. The only exception is again GISMO-C6, for which the methodology of Scoville et al. (2016) leads to  $\sim 0.4$  dex lower gas mass.

### 3.5. Cosmic Infrared Luminosity and Dust Mass Densities of Galaxies

Using our high-redshift sample, we constrained the bright end of the infrared luminosity function and cosmic infrared luminosity density at  $z \sim 4$  and, in a pioneer effort, the massive end of the dust mass function and cosmic dust mass density in galaxies at  $z \sim 4$  (Figure 14). To this end, we summed up the contributions of GISMO-C1, -C2, -C3, and -C7 and considered as comoving volume that probed by our survey ( $250 \text{ arcmin}^2$ ) between  $z = 3.1$  and 4.6.

Our constraint on the  $z \sim 4$  infrared luminosity function (i.e.,  $\phi > 2.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ Mpc}^{-3} \text{ dex}^{-1}$  at  $L_{\text{IR}} = 10^{12.85} L_{\odot}$ ) is consistent with that obtained by Gruppioni et al. (2013; upper left panel of Figure 14) using far-infrared (100–500  $\mu\text{m}$ ) observations from the *Herschel Space Observatory*. This implies that even though our Rayleigh–Jeans 2 mm selection does not, in principle, provide a luminosity-limited sample, the population of luminous galaxies with hot dust emission missed by this selection (e.g., AzTEC3) does not dominate at  $z \sim 4$ .

Our study also adds an interesting lower limit to the cosmic infrared luminosity density at  $z \sim 4$  (lower left panel of Figure 14;  $\rho_{\text{IR}} > 3.3 \times 10^7 L_{\odot} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$  at  $z = 3.9$ ), which to date remains uncertain owing to the sensitivity limits of current far-infrared surveys (Madau & Dickinson 2014). Assuming that about half of the cosmic SFR density inferred at these redshifts from UV-selected surveys should be seen in the form of infrared emission (e.g., Cucciati et al. 2012; Madau & Dickinson 2014), we estimate that our sample contributes  $\sim 20\%$  of the cosmic infrared luminosity density expected at  $z \sim 4$ .

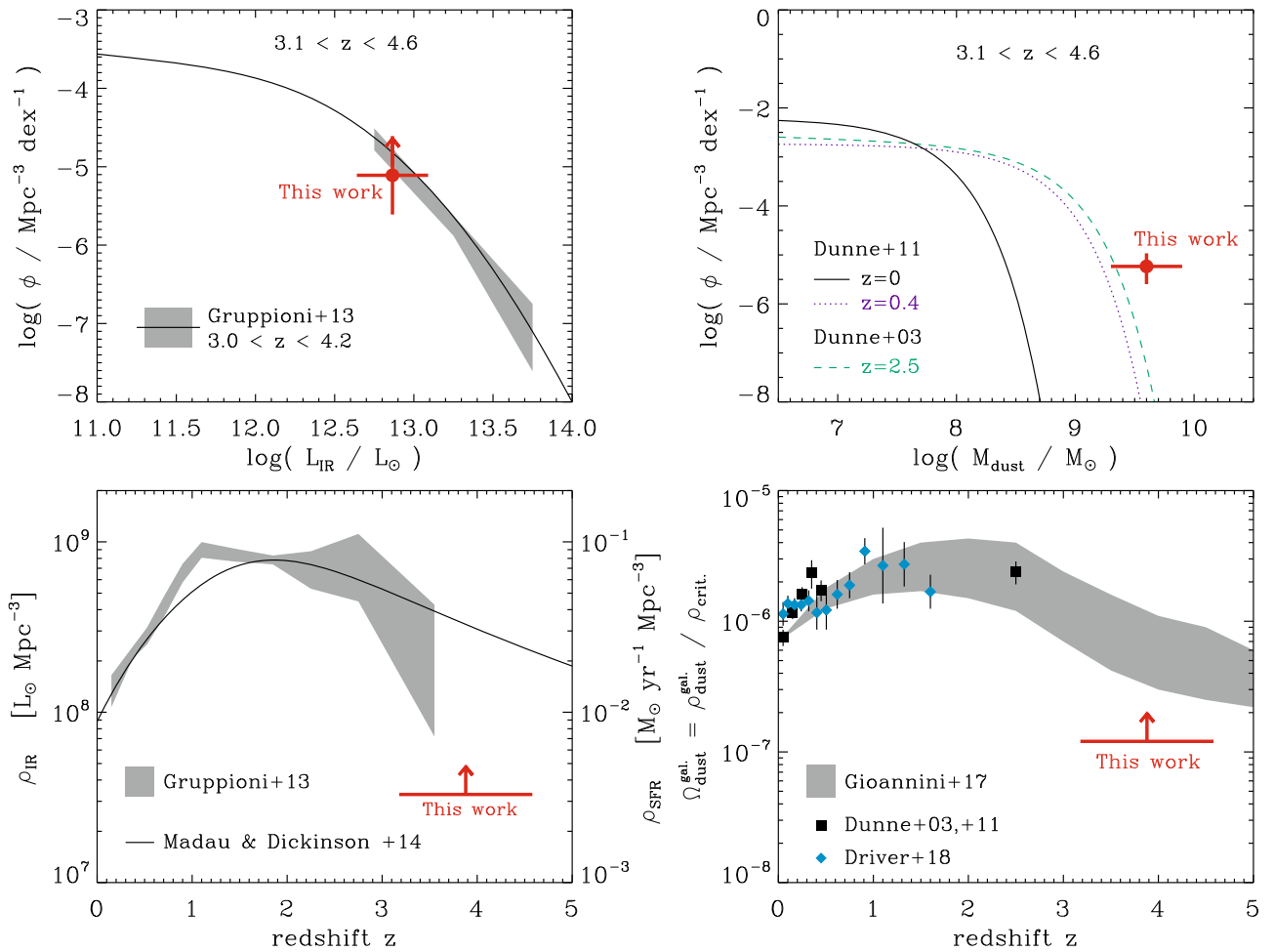
Our pioneer measurement of the  $z \sim 4$  dust mass function of galaxies (upper right panel of Figure 14;  $\phi = 5.8^{+4.9}_{-3.3} \times 10^{-6} \text{ Mpc}^{-3} \text{ dex}^{-1}$  at  $M_{\text{dust}} = 10^{9.6} M_{\odot}$ ) is consistent with that inferred at  $z \sim 2.5$  in Dunne et al. (2003) by estimating the dust masses of SMGs assuming a flat redshift distribution ranging from  $z = 1$  to 5. Both studies suggest a mild evolution of the massive end of the dust mass function of galaxies from  $z \sim 0.4$  to 4.

Finally, we provide a lower limit on the cosmic dust mass density in galaxies at  $z \sim 4$  (lower right panel of Figure 14;  $\rho_{\text{dust}}^{\text{gal.}} > 1.6 \times 10^4 M_{\odot} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$  at  $z = 3.9$ ). This estimate is consistent with recent theoretical expectations, even though theory predicts a drastic decrease of the cosmic dust mass density in galaxies from  $z = 2$  to 5 (Gioannini et al. 2017).

## 4. Conclusions

With the GISMO array at the IRAM 30 m telescope, we performed the widest deep 2 mm survey to date, reaching a uniform  $\sigma \sim 0.23 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  sensitivity over an area of  $\sim 250 \text{ arcmin}^2$  in the COSMOS field. Within this map, we detected four sources with a high detection significance (i.e.,  $S/N \geq 4.4$ ), corresponding to a low false-detection rate per map of only 0.09 sources. Five sources detected with  $4.4 > S/N \geq 3.7$  are also added to our catalog, among which 1.65 are supposed to be false detections. With this catalog in hand, we found the following.

1. Combined with the GDF ( $\sigma \sim 0.135 \text{ mJy beam}^{-1}$  over  $13 \text{ arcmin}^2$ ; S14), it provides robust and consistent measurements of the 2 mm number counts over one decade in flux densities. These give critical constraints for current and upcoming galaxy evolution models. For



**Figure 14.** (Upper left) Infrared luminosity (i.e.,  $L_{\text{IR}}[8-1000 \mu\text{m}]$ ) function as derived from our four GISMO COSMOS galaxies at  $3.1 < z < 4.6$ , i.e., GISMO-C1/-C2/-C3/-C7 (red arrow). The gray region and black solid line show the results from Gruppioni et al. (2013) at  $3.1 < z < 4.6$ , obtained from wide COSMOS surveys performed by *Herschel*. (Lower left) Redshift evolution of the cosmic infrared luminosity density. Our high-redshift upper limit is shown by a red arrow and corresponds to the sum of the infrared luminosities of GISMO-C1/-C2/-C3/-C7 divided by the comoving volume within  $3.1 < z < 4.6$ . The gray region shows the measurements from Gruppioni et al. (2013). The cosmic infrared luminosity density can be translated into cosmic SFR density (see the right-end y-axis), assuming a Chabrier IMF and the relation  $\text{SFR} [M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}] = 10^{-10} \times L_{\text{IR}} [L_{\odot}]$  (Kennicutt 1998). The redshift evolution of the cosmic SFR density constrained with a plethora of obscured and unobscured SFR indicators and parameterized in Madau & Dickinson (2014) is shown by the black solid line. (Upper right) Dust mass function in galaxies as derived from our four GISMO COSMOS galaxies at  $3.1 < z < 4.6$  (red circle). The redshift evolution of the dust mass function in galaxies measured by Dunne et al. (2011) at  $z = 0$  and  $0.4$  and Dunne et al. (2003) at  $z = 2.5$  are shown by the black solid, blue dotted, and green dashed lines, respectively. (Lower right) Redshift evolution of the cosmic dust mass density in galaxies, i.e.,  $\Omega_{\text{dust}}^{\text{gal}} = \rho_{\text{dust}}^{\text{gal}} / \rho_{\text{crit}}$ , where  $\rho_{\text{crit}}$  is the critical density of the universe with  $\rho_{\text{crit}} = 1.3 \times 10^{11} M_{\odot} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$  (Planck Collaboration et al. 2016). Our high-redshift upper limit is shown by a red arrow and corresponds to the sum of the dust mass reservoir of GISMO-C1/-C2/-C3/-C7 divided by  $\rho_{\text{crit}}$  and the comoving volume within  $3.1 < z < 4.6$ . Black squares show the results from Dunne et al. (2003, 2011) obtained using far-infrared/(sub)mm observations, while blue diamonds correspond to those from Driver et al. (2018) using an optical-to-far-infrared energy balance approach in the GAMA fields. Theoretical predictions from the chemical evolution models of galaxies of Gioannini et al. (2017) are shown by the gray region.

example, while Model A of Casey et al. (2018b), which represents a “dust-poor” early universe, best describes our 2 mm number counts, we can begin to rule out subsets of their Model B “dust-rich” universe, whereby only cutoff redshifts  $z_{\text{cutoff}} < 7$  are consistent with our data.

- Five sources in our map have counterparts in other deep (sub)mm catalogs available for the COSMOS field (Scott et al. 2008; Aretxaga et al. 2011; Casey et al. 2013; Geach et al. 2017). The redshifts of these sources found in the literature suggest that all but one lie above  $z \sim 3$ . For these four high-redshift galaxies, their GISMO 2 mm flux densities are consistent with their overall mid-to-far-infrared SEDs while providing additional constraints on their Rayleigh-Jeans dust emission. These high-redshift galaxies are found to be ultraluminous infrared galaxies

with SFRs in the range  $400-1200 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ . They are associated with large dust/gas reservoirs, but their extreme SFRs yield gas depletion timescales of  $< 1-2$  Gyr, in agreement with lower-redshift observations (e.g., Tacconi et al. 2018). GISMO-C6 is the only galaxy at odds with this picture, as it is a relatively low-redshift galaxy ( $z = 1$ ) with a moderate infrared luminosity ( $L_{\text{IR}} = 10^{11.6} L_{\odot}$ ) and a very cold luminosity-weighted dust temperature ( $\sim 20$  K). The detection of this galaxy by GISMO could be explained by the well-known  $L_{\text{IR}} - T_{\text{dust}}$  selection bias affecting (sub)mm surveys. However, this could also suggest that the redshift association for this source is incorrect.

- Comparing the redshift-infrared luminosity distribution of our galaxies to that of the AzTEC 1.1 mm selected

galaxies within our map (Riechers et al. 2014; Miettinen et al. 2017b), we found that our GISMO 2 mm survey is picking out a relatively complete sample ( $\sim 66\%$ ) of the most luminous ( $L_{\text{IR}} > 10^{12.6} L_{\odot}$ ) and highest-redshift ( $z > 3$ ) galaxies among them. This suggests that the selection of bright galaxies at long wavelengths provides the most favorable criterion for finding massive, vigorously star-forming high-redshift galaxies, in agreement with recent observations and galaxy evolution models (e.g., Younger et al. 2007, 2009; Strandet et al. 2016; Brisbin et al. 2017; Casey et al. 2018b; Zavala et al. 2018). Unfortunately, due to small number statistics, it is not yet possible to fully quantify the observational advantage of 2 mm over 1.1 mm selection for high-redshift studies.

4. GISMO-C4 is the fourth-brightest source in our catalog and is thus very unlikely to be a false detection ( $P_f = 6.2\%$ ). Yet it has no (sub)mm counterpart. Such a (sub)mm dropout could be an unidentified very high-redshift galaxy ( $z > 4$ ), as suggested by its unusually low  $850 \mu\text{m}$ –2 mm flux density ratio. This very high-redshift candidate will require future dedicated follow-up with ALMA or NOEMA. Three other sources in our catalog have potentially no (sub)mm counterparts and low  $850 \mu\text{m}$ –2 mm flux density ratios; however, 1.22 sources are supposed to be false detections.















Our wide GISMO 2 mm survey, combined with the pencil-beam confusion-limited GDF (S14), has unambiguously demonstrated the advantage of long-wavelength surveys for studying the rare, massive, high-redshift, highly star-forming galaxies. Such surveys provide valuable constraints on the yet very uncertain bright end of the infrared luminosity function and massive end of the dust mass function at  $z \sim 4$ . However, our 2 mm surveys are still limited by their relatively small sky coverage. The ALMA 2 mm continuum survey in COSMOS (PI: Casey, Cycle 6), combined with current and future 2 mm instruments on single-dish facilities—like NIKA-II on the IRAM 30 m and GISMO-2 and ToITEC on the LMT 50 m—will certainly demonstrate further the utility of long-wavelength selection in solving for the relative abundance of dusty star-forming galaxies in the  $z > 3$  universe by mapping large areas of sky to sub-mJy depths. They will thereby provide invaluable samples of efficiently selected high-redshift sources for interferometric spectral scan follow-up with ALMA and NOEMA, enabling the study of dust production within the first  $\sim 2$  Gyr of cosmic time.

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